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Quinn Tomlinson, 11, does a tailwhip on his scooter as Elijah Grant, 13, watches at the Halifax Common skate park on Wednesday afternoon. The province is spending \$200,000 to help prevent head injuries by providing helmets for kids and teenagers. Story, page 5. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

Deal was fair: HRM

Community concerns. Developer's lawyer will speak about sale of St. Pat's school when case resumes Friday



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It was HRM's turn in court Wednesday to defend the sale of St. Patrick's-Alexandra school to a developer and bypass community consultation.

"It was fair, and the outcome was the outcome," HRM's lawyer Jocelyn Campbell, said at the Nova Scotia Supreme Court Wednesday.

Three north-end Halifax community groups took HRM to court alleging the municipality didn't follow its own policy, which includes community consultation, and sold it for less than market value.

Campbell said the property was appraised at \$4.3 million with a zoning change and a development agreement, or \$1 million as is. It was sold to Jono Developments Ltd.,

unconditionally and as is, for \$3 million.

First, Campbell said, it wasn't a policy but a guideline and not legally binding. And also market value is what a buyer is willing to pay a willing seller in an open market, not the appraised value. She said Jono's bid to pay even more — \$4 million — was if there were competitive bids.

The community groups want the deal killed and for HRM to start over, but Campbell said that would do no good as the policy requiring community consultation was thrown out by council.

Plus council has made it clear they're not "giving the land away," she said, asking the court to dismiss the lawsuit with costs to the respondents. Outside the courtroom, Rev. Rhonda Britton said she wondered why HRM made a policy if it wasn't followed.

Joe Metlege, head of Jono, said he thinks they have a really strong case.



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Hundreds protest budget bill

Changes to legislation.
Similar rallies took place coast-to-coast



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Hundreds of people made their way to Halifax's Grand Parade to protest the Conservative omnibus budget bill on Wednesday night.

The protest was one of hundreds across Canada to try and convince 13 government MPs to vote against their own party's budget-implementation bill.

"We're still hoping that maybe roughly 13 Conservative MPs will vote (to) express the will of their constituents," said Meredith Calyden, a volunteer with the advocacy group Lead Now and one of the organizers of the protest.

"We want them to know that people across Canada do support them, and will support them if they stand up for democracy and vote against the bill."

Bill C-38, the Conservative government's budget-im-

Voting process

- MPs are expected to spend more than 24 hours in session voting on between 67 and 159 individual votes on Bill C-38. Voting could continue as late as midnight on Friday.

plementation bill, has been planned by critics because it includes changes to a number of pieces of legislation that have little to do with the actual budget.

Sweeping changes to things like environment regulations and changes to old age security have little to do with the actual budget, critics argue. The federal Conservatives have defended including so much in a budget bill because such measures are apparently required to grow the economy.

Opposition to the bill was dealt a blow on Tuesday when Speaker Andrew Scheer ruled in favour of Bill C-38, saying the common thread uniting the measures is the economy.

"Arcane" procedures of



Protesters watch the Raging Grannies during a rally against Bill C-38 at Grand Parade on Wednesday. More than 100 people showed up in Halifax while thousands of others attended rallies across the country. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

parliament aside, Dalhousie University professor Thomas Duck still hopes the government will reconsider.

"I think most reasonable

people can agree that the elimination of environmental protections has no place in a budget bill," said Duck, a physics professor who spoke

at the protest.

"And yet here it's part of this omnibus legislation even though it's not a budget issue."

Investigation

Sex-assault charge dropped against cop

Halifax Regional Police say a charge of sexual assault against one of its own has been withdrawn.

Police announced late Wednesday a charge against Const. Andrew Morris was withdrawn by the Crown at Halifax provincial court last week. The charge stemmed from an incident in the early-morning hours of Sept. 9 on Grafton Street.

An internal Police Act investigation into the matter continues while Morris remains on administrative duties, a release states. METRO

Nova Scotians less than satisfied with their health care, poll finds



A hospital worker pushes a patient down the hallway at the Halifax Infirmary in this file photo from 2010. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

Only 13 per cent of Nova Scotians said they were very satisfied with the level of health-care services they receive.

A new poll commissioned by the Toronto Star found Nova Scotians were near the bottom of the barrel in terms of satisfaction with their health care. Newfoundland and Labrador came last, with only 10 per cent saying very satisfied.

Dave Wilson, Nova Scotia's minister of health and wellness, said on Wednesday in response to the poll many Nova Scotians who actually use the

health-care system are satisfied with the care they receive.

"No question we can always do better, and that's what we work for and towards every day," Wilson said. "But I know in Nova Scotia when people are ill or severely ill, they receive, I believe, the adequate and most appropriate care."

The lowest satisfaction ratings nationwide were with walk-in clinics and emergency room visits, with 21 per cent and 14 per cent satisfaction ratings respectively.

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Downtown Halifax, as seen in this file photo from last month. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

Halifax lags in downtown investment, report says

Development. Biz group CEO Paul MacKinnon says Halifax should 'steal' innovative ideas from other cities



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The Halifax Regional Municipality ranks near the bottom of 10 Canadian cities in terms of investing in the

downtown, a new report finds.

According to the report, commissioned by 10 downtown-development commissions and compiled by the Canadian Urban Institute, downtown Halifax has received just \$34 million in municipal investments since 2000. London, Ont., comparable in size to HRM, invested over \$174 million between 1998 and 2011.

"HRM hasn't ... invested as heavily as many other downtowns," researcher Katherine Morton told a crowd of about 100 at Nep-

tune Theatre on Wednesday afternoon.

"(But) the central library project really is symbolic of how the municipality is really starting to show leadership in the downtown.... The convention centre is another one, (while) it hasn't been included in this calculation, it is yet again another symbol of downtown Halifax really emerging as an important place to invest in."

Indeed, the report isn't all bad news. Among the 10 cities surveyed, Halifax came first in "walkability" despite what Morton called "challen-

ging topography" — or hills.

Indeed, most of the presentation focused not on the amount of money flowing in from various levels of government, but rather what other cities are doing to address similar issues as those facing Halifax.

Those ideas are ripe for "stealing," according to Downtown Halifax Business Commission CEO Paul MacKinnon.

MacKinnon referred to a number of issues facing the downtown: from homelessness and poverty to proper public transportation to

On the web:

- The full report, called *The Value of Investing in Canadian Downtowns*, can be found at the Downtown Halifax Business Commission's website: downtownhalifax.ca.

population density. Ottawa, for instance, waived development fees for downtown residential projects and has recovered those lost revenues in a larger tax base.

Changing Directions

Mental-health strategy released

The Mental Health Commission of Canada was in Halifax on Wednesday, promoting its first national mental-health strategy, which was released last month.

Changing Directions, Changing Lives calls on provincial and territorial governments to work across their respective jurisdictions to improve mental-health outcomes. It also calls on those governments to increase the proportion of health budgets devoted to mental health from seven to nine per cent annually.

"Working together is the only way that we're actually going to see any of the recommendations (achieved)," said Louise Bradley, CEO of the Mental Health Commission.

The strategy "is a blueprint for fixing some of the ills of the system, and it's a plan to promote better mental wellness and mental health."

Dave Wilson, Nova Scotia's new minister of health, said many parts of the national strategy fit well within the province's mental health and addictions plan, released last month.

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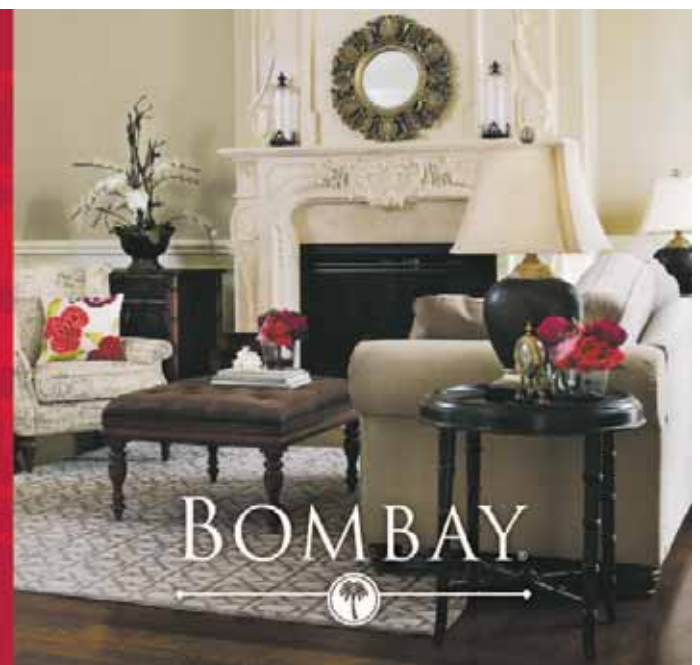
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Const. Aaron Head is reflected in a helmet as he helps out Jared Murphy, 11, at the Halifax Common skate park on Wednesday. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

Province looks to help youth protect their noggins

Initiative announced.
Government purchasing 15,000 helmets for active youngsters

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Quinn Tomlinson says he probably falls off his scooter five to 10 times a day.

The Oxford School fifth-grader spends all his free time riding around and practising tricks, much of it at the Halifax Common Skate Park, and says he wants to be a pro some day.

And just like the riders he admires on TV and YouTube, he always wears his helmet.

"It's really easy to fall on the pavement. You could hit your head and end up in the

Safety first

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The percentage of people from Halifax wearing helmets, according to a QEII survey. It drops to 77 per cent for those in rural areas.

hospital with a brain injury," the 11-year-old said on Wednesday morning.

But officials say many young scooterers, skateboarders and bikers don't have access to good head protection, and they want to change that.

Minister of Health and Wellness Dave Wilson, along with police and representatives from the IWK Health Centre and QEII hospital, announced Wednesday that the province is spending \$200,000 to purchase 15,000 helmets

for active youngsters in need, especially for those who might not be able to afford a good one otherwise.

As part of the new Protect Your Noggin initiative, police and emergency personnel around the province will be sent bags of helmets they will carry in their vehicles to distribute to kids they see riding without head protection.

"Now, a police officer or paramedic can go up to (kids without helmets) and say, 'Listen, we want to celebrate that you're being active, but you need to be safe doing it,'" Wilson said.

He said severe head injuries can be traumatic for families, and can cost the health-care system hundreds of thousands of dollars for long-term care.

"Even if this initiative prevents one head injury, it will be a success," said Wilson.

No injuries

N.B. RCMP destroy suspicious package

A suspicious package placed inside the front doors of a CIBC branch in Moncton was destroyed Wednesday by the RCMP bomb squad after police were told it contained a threatening note.

The Mounties say the package also contained fireworks and some powdered milk. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Link program encourages bikers and their parents to follow the "2V1" rule: You should be able to fit two fingers between your child's forehead and the helmet, the strap should form a "v" under the ear, and one finger should fit between the strap and the chin.

More information is available at ChildSafetyLink.ca. **SPENCER BUELL/FOR METRO**

NSP CEO hearing more concerns over proposed rate hike

Nova Scotia Power's proposed rate hikes could mean an uncertain future for a North Sydney fish-processing plant.

Those were among the concerns heard by Rob Bennett, CEO of the utility, during a breakfast meeting Wednesday in Sydney.

The concern was expressed by Peter McCarron, who works for Louisbourg Seafoods Ltd., which operates four fish-processing plants in Cape Breton.

"I understand you need to change to protect the environment," said McCarron to Bennett. "Our concern is, in order for us to get over that hump you are talking about, we won't survive."

Nova Scotia Power has requested a three per cent rate increase in each of 2013 and 2014 mostly because two provincial paper mills, its biggest customers, have been struggling. The hikes will also help to pay for costs as-

Quoted

"If we don't make those hard decisions now and make some of these painful choices today, then inevitably we are going to be in a tougher situation in the future."

Rob Bennett, Nova Scotia Power CEO

sociated with meeting green-energy guidelines.

"In a businesses where we are competing on a global market, not against other Nova Scotia companies, it is going to put us to the point where we are not going to be able to ship our product," said McCarron. "The market won't take that increase. We can't pass it on."

Bennett told McCarron that power rates in Nova Scotia are comparable to the other utilities across Canada and less than those in New England and Europe.

He also told the audience the rate hikes to offset en-

vironmental changes will eventually result in stable power prices in Nova Scotia.

"We know the concerns commercial customers face and we are doing everything we can to keep doing everything we can to keep ourselves regionally competitive," Bennett said after the meeting.

Bennett also tackled the sticky issue of executive compensation, which he said is set by Emera's board of directors to be the average of the comparable position of another company anywhere in Canada.

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Off-the-beaten-track tours offer local culinary snapshot

Fresh food. Emily Forrest to highlight small-scale eateries during downtown walk six days a week

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Halifax is home to a number of local culinary offerings, and Emily Forrest wants to show you around.

Starting Thursday, the foodie and former actress will begin leading small daily tours of five restaurants that showcase the city's flare for the fresh and friendly.

She said her Local Tasting Tours will provide a chance for visitors and residents alike to sample small portions of selected dishes, beginning at the Seaport Farmers' Market and travelling by foot up lower Barrington Street — an area of the city she says is often overshadowed as a destination by the waterfront and Spring Garden Road.

"For tourists, it's like getting an overview of a neighbourhood. For locals, it's almost like revisiting it," Forrest said.

A self-styled advocate for the "locavore" movement, Forrest said she hopes people who take the 90-minute tour will feel inspired to choose local food options over established big-box spots when deciding where to eat in Halifax.

To prepare for her tours,

Taste of home

"I want to weave in sort of a culinary history of Halifax as well as the history of the actual small businesses."

Emily Forrest, Local Tasting Tours owner

Forrest sat down for personal interviews with each restaurant's owners to learn about their history, their products and their motivation. She also cracked open a few Maritime history books.

The tour, which costs \$25 per person and accommodates groups of up to 12, starts off with smoked salmon and chowder at The Fish Shop at Pier 20, then heads to Uncommon Grounds, Talay Thai, Moris East and Chives.

She said the tour's route will change from year to year, but will always feature smaller-scale spots — the ones that best represent the culture of the city's diverse communities.

"At small, locally owned restaurants, you have somebody who just has an idea and a vision about what they want to impart and produce, and that's what makes Halifax unique," she said.

Step ahead

Want to take a tour? Visit localtastingtours.com for complete details.



Emily Forrest talks with Metro about her new business Local Tasting Tours at the Fish Shop at Pier 20 on Wednesday morning. RYAN TAPLIN/METRO

Community feedback

Local Tasting Tours a 'brilliant' idea

When Peter Boudreau first heard about Local Tasting Tours, he was immediately on board.

"I thought it was brilliant. I think anything that promotes local food and local dining is incredible," said Boudreau, owner of The Fish Shop at the Seaport Farmers' Market, the first stop on Emily Forrest's walking trip.

Boudreau has worked in Halifax restaurants for the last

17 years. He said he knows where the fish he sells are caught, how it's caught and who caught it.

He also knows his regulars, and their kids and grandkids, by name. When they go on vacation, he knows about it, too.

So, he said Wednesday

he jumped at the chance to market his locally sourced offerings to new customers face to face.

"For those of us who are in this industry, these local products, these local stories, these local experiences, they resonate with us," he said.

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Thousands of documents delay spy case

Espionage. Sub-Lt. Jeffrey Paul Delisle could enter plea at next appearance in July

The lawyer for a Bedford navy intelligence officer accused of spying says he has to wade through thousands of documents — many of them blacked out — before determining how to proceed with

the unusual case.

Mike Taylor, who is representing Sub-Lt. Jeffrey Paul Delisle, said Wednesday that much of the information he has received so far has been redacted due to security concerns.

Delisle, who was last posted at a naval intelligence centre at Canadian Forces Base Stadacona's Trinity section in Halifax, faces two charges under the Security of Information Act that deal with communicating

information over the past five years that could harm Canada's interests.

Taylor said the "voluminous" amount of information has to be vetted by several justice and intelligence agencies before it can be handed over to him, slowing down the process of moving the case forward.

"There are a number of layers of review that have to be undertaken to get the information that we do need released and I understand that," he said.

Custody

Sub-Lt. Delisle, 41, has been in custody at the Central Nova Scotia Correctional Facility since his arrest in January. He was not in court Wednesday.

Taylor is due back in provincial court on July 4, when he could enter election and plea for Delisle. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Sub-Lt. Jeffrey Delisle is escorted into Nova Scotia provincial court in Halifax on Wednesday. **MIKE DEMBECK/THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Jobs

Xerox courted with rebate

The province is offering Xerox Canada a \$4.4-million payroll rebate in the hopes of creating jobs in Dartmouth.

The five-year rebate from Nova Scotia Business Inc., the government's business development agency, is based on performance.

The government says for every dollar it spends in salary in the province, Xerox Canada will get five to 10 cents back.

The rebate is available to the company as it looks to hire people with post-secondary education or sales experience.

Xerox Canada opened a sales centre in Dartmouth in 2001. It employs about 220 people at the centre.

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Yarmouth

Pair arrested for contraband butts

A 75-year-old man and 64-year-old woman were arrested Wednesday after police say they found thousands of contraband cigarettes in a Yarmouth home.

The RCMP say officers seized the 13,200 cigarettes and charged the two under the Federal Excise Act and Provincial Revenue Act with selling the illegal goods, for less than those available in stores, and tax free.

The two are scheduled to appear in court on the charges Sept. 11.

Police are offering cash rewards of up to \$2,000 for tips about the sale of contraband cigarettes through Nova Scotia. **METRO**



Blue baby mama

The Lobster Hatchery in Pictou has a rare blue lobster on display, but what makes it even more special is that it's carrying blue eggs. Once the eggs are released, the hatchery will develop them to Stage 4 larvae to see if they will be blue babies.

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Nik Wallenda: High & mighty

King of the High Wire. On eve of attempt to cross Niagara Falls, the skywalker talks about faith, family, what's next

KATHY ULLYOTT
For Metro in Toronto

When he was 18, Nik Wallenda had his heart set on becoming a pediatrician.

But just one year later, his family, the legendary Flying Wallendas, was offered a once-in-a-generation opportunity: To re-enact the family's signature stunt, a three-tier, seven-person pyramid on a wire eight metres above the ground. In 1962, the pyramid collapsed during a show in Detroit and killed two family members while paralyzing another.

Nik was in. And after the

triumphal re-creation of the act in 1998, his path was set — on a cable just two fingers wide. This Friday the King of the High Wire will attempt to make history again by walking a wire across the thundering cataract of the Horseshoe Falls. We asked this very public man about some very private moments.

How are you preparing physically as well as mentally for the Niagara Falls skywalk?

I don't have a regular regimen; my workout changes every day depending on my schedule. I always walk several wires and I try to relax and rest. I also try to work in physical activity with my family — we'll play Frisbee, say, where you have to do 10 pushups if you miss a catch. Or catch it with your left hand only. I don't spend as much time with my kids as I'd like, so I try to be creative

that way. Mentally: I don't meditate but I spend a lot of time praying, which is a kind of meditation. I'm a born-again Christian, so I pray. I talk to God, a lot.

Do you think that religion, or belief in a higher power, is necessary for someone in your line of work?

Well, I can say there's no way I would do it without it.

Have you ever had a supernatural experience, on or off the wire?

I wouldn't say so, no. But I do believe that I'm surrounded by guardian angels at all times, whether I'm walking a wire or walking down the street.

What is your greatest dream for your children (Yanni, 14, Amadaos, 11, and Evita, 9)? That they achieve their goals and dreams. And I like to think that, as their father, I

am inspiring them to do that. I love a challenge — in taking on Niagara Falls a lot of people said it can't be done, it won't be done. But when someone says to me

something can't be done, that's my cue to find a way.

If there was one thing in your life you could go back and change, what would it be?

Honestly, I wouldn't change anything. Yes, I've had great successes and some failures. But the failures, the disappointments all contribute to what I am, where I am today. And I wouldn't change that for anything.

If you could

have dinner with one historical figure and ask him/her anything you want, who would that be?

That would have to be my great-grandfather, Karl Wallenda (who brought the family from Germany to America in 1928, and died in a fall from a wire in Puerto Rico in 1978). I was born in 1979 but he

clearly was my inspiration. I'd love to ask him about our family, hear the family history, hear his amazing stories.

But if you could ask him just one question?

I'd ask him if he is proud. People tell me he would be honoured by what I've accomplished, but I'd love to ask him how he feels, myself.

What happens after Niagara Falls?

I want to be a father and a husband for awhile. I've been consumed with this for six months — two years, really — and I really feel I've neglected my family. So I just want to spend time with them.

On the web

To view a live feed of the walk, go to metronews.ca



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High in the sky

Daredevil legacy honoured

Nik Wallenda, 33, is a high-wire artist and acrobat. He hails from a family of daredevils and is a direct descendant of Karl Wallenda — founder of The Flying Wallendas.

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Bike on a wire

Riding to a record

Wallenda holds the Guinness Book of Records World Record for longest and highest bicycle ride on a high-wire during a live broadcast of the Today show on NBC. Last year, he completed the high-wire crossing that killed his great-grandfather, Karl Wallenda. METRO

Forbidden zone

Century-long ban broken

Attempting to cross Niagara Falls on a high wire has been forbidden for the last 100 years. ABC is insisting that Wallenda wear a safety harness — something the high-wire artist initially refused to do.

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Stealing the thunder

\$1.3M

The cost of making the seven-ton steel wire, installation, permits, security, travel and marketing is estimated at about \$1.3 million. The TV deal with ABC will offset some of the cost.

Parking it

Keeping things spick at the span

Other costs include a \$50,000 letter of credit to the Niagara Parks Commission, which would be used only in the event of a water rescue, and a \$25,000 deposit to U.S. authorities to ensure the Niagara Falls park is restored to its original condition. METRO

At the brink

Laying it on 1,800 feet of line

Wallenda plans to start on the American side and walk 1,800 feet across the falls at 200 feet above the gorge bottom. If successful, he will be the first to cross over the brink of the famous falls. METRO



Students speak to reporters at Cavalier-De LaSalle High School Wednesday. RYAN REMIÖRZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Teacher shows Magnotta-case video to class

Montreal. High school swiftly suspends man but students defend him, saying they asked him to play it

A teacher has been suspended by a Montreal school for showing Grade 10 students the infamous video that shows a killing allegedly committed by Luka Rocco Magnotta.

The teacher showed the students the grotesque scenes on June 4 and was immediately suspended that afternoon — with pay.

The video is so disturbing that even seasoned detectives who watched it were troubled by the contents, Montreal police say.

Staff at Cavalier-De LaSalle High School in Montreal's west end say they quickly informed the students that a team of psychologists was available to deal with any problems from watching the video.

"We condemn with one voice the actions of the teacher," the school board said Wednesday. "The incident is being taken very seriously."

Quoted

"For sure, at the beginning I found it tough. But I wasn't traumatized or anything. We see so much these days on TV."

Maude Aubin-Boivin, 17

Students are defending the popular young teacher — who one described as being in his 20s.

Another student said it was the kids who asked him to play the video. She said the teacher was hesitant. A few kids in the class also objected.

The board said the teacher gave his side of the story Wednesday to school officials, who promised to make a swift decision on his future.

He had been under contract as a replacement through the end of the year, and has also taught phys. ed in the past.

Montreal police said they are examining the case. But spokesperson Yannick Oumet indicated no plaintiffs had come forward yet.

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Suspicious confirmed

DNA shows Lin's body parts were mailed to B.C.

Montreal police said Wednesday that DNA results have confirmed the two body parts mailed to Van-

couver last week belong to student Jun Lin.

Luka Rocco Magnotta, a porn actor, is suspected of killing and dismembering Lin before sending some of his body parts to Canadian political parties and schools.

In Berlin, a court has

ordered Magnotta to be held in pre-extradition custody as his likely return to Canada edges closer.

Magnotta, 29, fled to Europe and was captured at an Internet café in Berlin. He has said he won't fight extradition. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Rae won't run for Liberal leadership

Ottawa. Party leadership race now wide open as interim chief steps aside

Bob Rae won't seek the permanent leadership of the federal Liberals because it's better for the party, the interim leader said Wednesday, setting the stage for a wide-open race and renewing the tantalizing pros-

pect of a Justin Trudeau candidacy.

Sources say the 63-year-old Rae — who will stay on as interim leader until a replacement is chosen — decided against running primarily because, despite popularity among caucus members, he still doesn't have the broad support of the party's rank and file.

"It hasn't been an easy decision, (but) it's a decision I feel very comfortable with," Rae said after breaking the news to

his caucus behind closed doors. "For me, it was a question of deciding how I could do the best thing for the health of the Liberal party."

Rae's controversial tenure as Ontario NDP premier from 1990 to 1995 — marred by a deep recession, broken campaign promises and acrimonious relations with the province's unions — has long been cited as one of the principal reasons he struggled to win Liberal support. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Free-for-all

- Many are looking to Justin Trudeau to save the party, but Trudeau has said he's not interested in running.
- MPs Marc Garneau (Que.), David McGuinty (Ont.), Joyce Murray (B.C.) and Dominic LeBlanc (N.B.) are said to be thinking about running.



Liberal interim leader Bob Rae speaks to reporters in the foyer of the House of Commons on Wednesday. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Trafficking ring. Mother of alleged victim recalls daughter's horror

The mother of an alleged victim in an Ottawa human-trafficking case says her daughter is terrified.

The girl was robbed, beaten up, held for hours, forced into an encounter with a john and threatened repeatedly with having her throat slit, she said.

The woman, whose name cannot be published so as not to identify her daughter, said she confronted one of the suspected teen pimps and her mother to retrieve her daughter's belongings "and get her power back."

"She beat my daughter mercilessly in the face and the nose, kept punching her over and over again," she alleged of one of the accused.

Two 15-year-old girls have been charged in connection with the case. A third suspect, aged 17, is still being sought. Police say they lured three girls from the ages of 13 to 17 to a home by posting messages on social-media websites. The three victims were then allegedly forced to go to another location and perform sexual acts on men.

The alleged victim's mother, who said her daughter was held for hours but escaped, is upset that the third suspect has not been found and that police are unable to release her name publicly in order to locate her.

Ottawa

15-year-old in custody

A 15-year-old girl charged in connection with the Ottawa human-trafficking and prostitution ring has been remanded in custody after a brief court appearance Wednesday.

The girl was formally charged with 18 counts in connection with three incidents involving three victims.

The charges include human trafficking, abduction and sexual assault. She will be back in court Monday to have a date set for a bail hearing. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

"My daughter was terrified. She blocked the door with chairs and said, 'They're going to come back and slit my throat.' You have no idea of the terror," she said.

The daughter is apparently afraid of retribution after her mother contacted police and confronted the accused teen's mother. The girl's belongings were found in two of the accused girls' homes, her mother said. **JESSICA SMITH/METRO IN OTTAWA**

Greenhouse gases

Canada not on pace to meet emissions targets: Report

The federal government says it sees no need to change its greenhouse gas strategy despite a new, hard-hitting report — commissioned by Ottawa — that shows Canada falling far short of its climate-change objectives.

The report by the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy added up every provincial and federal measure — existing and

proposed — to reduce greenhouse gases.

It found that Canada is on track to achieve only half of its 2020 target to reduce greenhouse gases by 17 per cent below 2005 levels.

"Canada will not achieve its 2020 GHG emissions-reduction target unless significant new, additional measures are taken," the report said.

In order to actually meet the target, Ottawa would have to take the lead, collaborate closely with provinces and introduce significant new measures to curtail emissions, especially in Alberta, the report concluded.

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Emergency landing

JetBlue sued over screaming pilot

Ten passengers filed a lawsuit Wednesday against JetBlue Airways, claiming they feared for their lives when a pilot had to be physically restrained after running through the cabin yelling about Jesus and al-Qaida during a New York-to-Las Vegas flight in March.

The lawsuit, filed in state Supreme Court in New York, claims the airline was "grossly negligent" in allowing Capt. Clayton Osborn to fly.

A flight attendant's ribs were bruised as passengers tried to restrain Osborn, but no one on board was seriously hurt. The March 27 flight was forced to make an emergency landing in Amarillo, Texas. An airline spokesman did not immediately comment Wednesday on the lawsuit.

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Child soldiers

Court asked to jail warlord 30 years

The International Criminal Court prosecutor asked judges on Wednesday to hand down a 30-year sentence to a Congolese warlord convicted of conscripting child soldiers.

Thomas Lubanga was convicted of the charge in the Netherlands-based court in March, in a case widely regarded as sending a message to military leaders who use child soldiers that they will be brought to justice.

Prosecutor Luis Moreno-Ocampo said he could not find any factor that would lessen Lubanga's guilt.

He "knew he was breaking the basic rules that the world has established to protect children," the prosecutor said.

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Syria conducting scorched-earth campaign: Report

Terrorizing towns.

Brutal attacks by government forces are part of a 'deliberate policy': Rights group

Syrian forces and militias dragged men from their homes, executing them and burning their bodies as their families watched — a campaign to terrorize the residents of towns believed to shelter rebels, Amnesty International charged in a report released Wednesday.

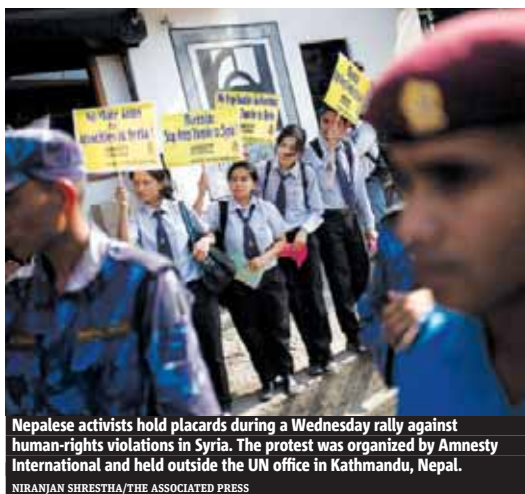
The report by the London-based rights group said Syrian forces were engaging in a scorched-earth policy in some areas, killing some civilians and torturing others, shooting livestock and burning crops and houses in rebel-held areas.

Amnesty said the attacks appeared to increase as the 15-month uprising has transformed into an armed conflict between rebels and Syrian forces.

The group said it based its information on more than 200 interviews with residents in 23 Syrian towns and villages over six weeks, starting in mid-April.

Amnesty said it also documented incidents of rebels kidnapping and killing captured soldiers and pro-government thugs, known as "shabiha," but said the vast majority of abuses were committed by government forces and their allies.

"The frequency and brutality of government re-



Nepalese activists hold placards during a Wednesday rally against human-rights violations in Syria. The protest was organized by Amnesty International and held outside the UN office in Kathmandu, Nepal.

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PM sounds off

Harper urges Russia to stop blocking UN sanctions

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has called on Russia to stop blocking UN attempts to impose sanctions on the "murderous" Syrian regime of Bashar Assad.

But the prospect of that succeeding, or any other attempt to sway Russia, appeared doomed by deteriorating relations between Washington and the Kremlin over accusations Moscow was supplying attack helicopters to its longtime ally in Damascus. Harper singled out Russia in the House of Commons on Wednesday.

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prisals against towns and villages supportive of the opposition has escalated, in an apparent bid to punish the inhabitants ... and to frighten them into submission," the report said.

"The scale of the attacks,

and the manner in which they were carried out, indicates that such crimes were perpetrated as part of a deliberate policy," it said.

The Syrian government had no comment on the report. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Egypt. New police powers are tantamount to declaring martial law, activists charge

Egypt's government extended the powers of military police and intelligence agents on Wednesday to allow them to arrest civilians for a wide range of offences, just days before the runoff for a president who will replace the country's military rulers as head of state.

Prominent human-rights lawyer Gamal Eid and other rights activists said the decision was tantamount to declaring martial law and offered concrete evidence of what was long suspected — that the military wants to extend its grip on power after handing executive authority to an elected president by the end of

this month. Gen. Adel el-Morsi, the head of military judiciary, said the decision by the Justice Ministry — part of a government appointed by the ruling military council — provides "legal cover" for the presence of military forces in the streets, 16 months after they were deployed during last year's uprising.

"There is a need to put in place a law to regulate the presence of army troops ... to enable them to secure presidential elections or carry out security sweeps to arrest fugitives and outlaws," he told Al-Ahram daily's website.

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Ukraine. Jailed ex-PM's daughter wants Europe to up pressure on Kyiv

The daughter of Ukraine's imprisoned former prime minister Yulia Tymoshenko says European and other western nations should increase the pressure on the government in Kyiv over her mother's case.

Eugenia Tymoshenko said Wednesday at a meeting with German justice ministers in Wiesbaden that such pressure would be in Europe's interest because it is "very dangerous to have such an authoritarian regime on the border of the EU."

Yulia Tymoshenko is serving a seven-year prison sentence on charges of abuse of



Eugenia Tymoshenko
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power, a case the West has strongly condemned as politically motivated.

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Zimbabwe. Missing diamond dollars raise political tensions

The Zimbabwe prime minister's party said Wednesday it can't pay the military until revenues from the nation's eastern diamond fields, largely sealed off by troops, reach state coffers.

Prime Minister Morgan Tsvangirai's party said the finance ministry it controls in the coalition government isn't receiving money promised from diamond sales.

The national treasury "is yet to receive a cent" from the biggest mining company that is staffed by former military and security officials, the Movement for Democratic Change said.

The defence ministry has said it needs cash for soldiers who are going hungry and to fund a recruitment drive for an additional 5,000 men. Defence officials loyal to President Robert Mugabe have threatened violence, the MDC said. Defence Minister Emmerson Mnangagwa vowed to send army generals to the finance ministry to force Minister Tendai Biti to

Diamonds

\$600M

Zimbabwe Finance Minister Tendai Biti said he was promised \$600 million in diamond revenues this year, and has only received \$30 million.

meet the military's demands, it said.

Top military commanders have repeatedly refused to salute Tsvangirai. In the latest statement of defiance, a third general last month repeated that the military would not allow politicians who did not fight in the bush war that led to independence in 1980 to take over the reins of power, even if they win elections proposed early next year.

Human-rights groups accuse the military and police of being at the forefront of political violence and intimidation surrounding disputed elections in 2008 that led to the formation of the troubled power-sharing coalition. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Guantanamo

9-11 'mastermind' wants to wear military clothing

The man who has called himself the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks is seeking to wear military-style clothing at his upcoming war crimes trial in Guantanamo, one of his attorneys said Wednesday.

Khalid Sheikh Mohamed has asked to wear a camouflage field jacket and camouflage turban with traditional Pakistani clothing as he goes on trial at the U.S. base in Cuba on charges that include murder and terrorism.

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Looking up

Somalian capital experiencing rare stretch of peace

Mogadishu is losing a label it never wanted in the first place: The world's most dangerous city.

The seaside Somali capital is enjoying a peace that, except for the infrequent attack, has lasted the better part of a year. Somalis who fled decades of war are coming back, as are UN workers who long operated out of Nairobi, the capital of neighbouring Kenya.

Embassies are reopening and a U.S. assistant secretary of state visited on Sunday. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Berlin. Lawyer of dead alleged Nazi files medical complaint

John Demjanjuk's attorney has filed a complaint with Bavarian prosecutors claiming that pain medication administered to the former Ohio auto-worker helped lead to his death as he awaited an appeal of his conviction on Nazi war crimes.

In a 12-page complaint obtained by The Associated Press, attorney Ulrich Busch asks prosecutors in Rosenheim to open an investigation of five doctors and a nurse on suspicion of manslaughter and causing bodily harm.

Demjanjuk was convicted

Quoted

"We believe this led to his death, and any foul play should be investigated."

Lawyer Ulrich Busch

by a Munich court in May 2011 on 28,060 counts of being an accessory to murder.

He was sentenced to five years in prison, but was released pending an appeal.

He died a free man.

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Wave of car bombs kill, wound Iraqi Shiites

Religious unrest. Sunni insurgents suspected in mass bombing targeting Shiites on annual pilgrimage

A co-ordinated wave of car bombs struck Shiite pilgrims in Baghdad and several other cities Wednesday, killing at least 66 people and wounding more than 200 in one of the deadliest days in Iraq since U.S. troops withdrew from the country.

The bloodshed comes against a backdrop of political divisions that have raised tensions and threatened to provoke a new round of the violence that once pushed Iraq to the brink of civil war. Nobody immediately claimed responsibility for the attacks, but they bore the hallmarks of Sunni insurgents who frequently target Shiites in Iraq.

Wednesday's blasts were the third this week targeting the annual pilgrimage that sees hundreds of thousands of Shiites converge on a golden-domed shrine in Baghdad's northern neighbourhood of Kazimiyah to commemorate the eighth-century death of a revered Shiite saint, Imam Moussa al-Kadhim. The commemoration culminates on Saturday.

Puddles of blood and shards of metal clogged a drainage ditch at the site of one of the bombings in the city of Hillah, where hours before pilgrims had been marching. Soldiers and onlookers wandered near the charred remains of the car that had exploded and ripped gaping holes in nearby shops.

Most of the 16 separate explosions that rocked the country targeted Shiite pilgrims in



The scene of a car-bomb attack in the Karrada neighbourhood of Baghdad, Iraq, Wednesday. KARIM RADIM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

five cities, but two hit offices of political parties linked to Iraq's Kurdish minority in the tense north. Authorities had tightened security ahead of the pilgrimage, including a blockade of the mainly Sunni area of Azamiyah, which is near the twin-domed Shiite shrine.

According to accounts compiled by police and health officials in the targeted areas, the first bomb struck a procession at around 5 a.m. in the town of Taji, north of Baghdad, killing seven people and wounding two others.

That was followed by four more morning blasts that hit other groups of pilgrims across the capital, killing 25 people and wounding more than 70.

South of Baghdad, two car bombs exploded minutes apart at dawn in the centre

of the mainly Shiite city of Hillah, killing 21 people and wounding 53, according to two police officers and one health worker.

A parked car bomb also exploded near a group of pilgrims in the Shiite holy city of Karbala, 90 kilometres south of Baghdad, at about 8 a.m., killing two people and wounding 22 others.

In the Shiite town of Balad, 80 kilometres north of Baghdad, two nearly simultaneous car bombs killed seven pilgrims and wounded 34.

Explosions also targeted Iraqi Kurds in the north.

The overall toll made it the deadliest day in Iraq since Jan. 5, when a wave of bombings targeting Shiites killed 78 people in Baghdad and outside the southern city of Nasiriyah.

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Political strife

Political divisions in Iraq have deepened, paralyzing the country since the Americans withdrew all combat troops in mid-December.

- Shiite Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki has been accused of trying to monopolize power.
- Tensions spiked after Vice-President Tariq al-Hashemi — the highest-ranking Sunni in Iraq's leadership — was charged with running death squads.
- The political stagnation has set back hopes for stability in Iraq and stalled efforts to rebuild the country after eight years of U.S. occupation.

Drones. U.S. military tactic opposed worldwide: Survey

The Obama administration's increasing use of unmanned drone strikes to kill terror suspects is widely opposed around the world, according to a Pew Research Center survey on the U.S. image abroad.

In 17 out of 21 countries surveyed, more than half of the people disapproved of U.S. drone attacks targeting extremist leaders and groups in nations such as Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia, Pew said Wednesday.

But in the United States, a majority, or 62 per cent, approved the drone campaign.

"There remains a widespread perception that the U.S. acts unilaterally and does

not consider the interests of other countries," the study authors said, especially in predominantly Muslim nations, where American anti-terrorism efforts are "still widely unpopular."

The White House declined to comment on the report. The Obama administration considers drone strikes one of its most effective tools to combat al-Qaida — preferable to conventional war because the strikes produce fewer American casualties and are meant to be more palatable abroad because the use of drones keeps U.S. troops on the ground to a minimum.

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An unmanned U.S. Predator drone flies over Kandahar Air Field, southern Afghanistan. KIRSTY WIGGLESWORTH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Rohingya Muslims who fled Myanmar to Bangladesh to escape religious violence, sit in a boat after being intercepted crossing the Naf River by border authorities in Tahnaf, Bangladesh, Wednesday.

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Food prices skyrocket amid Myanmar unrest

Buddhists versus Muslims. Violence triggered by rape and murder of Buddhist woman, allegedly by 3 Muslims

Heavy rain brought an uneasy calm in western Myanmar on Wednesday after five days of sectarian strife, though residents were too fearful to sleep and faced food shortages.

The conflict pitting ethnic Rakhine Buddhists against stateless Rohingya Muslims

Fearfully quiet

"It is quiet here this morning but life has not returned to normal. We live in fear every day and night."

San Shwe, a resident recounting unconfirmed rumours that authorities had seized weapons caches from Muslim villagers.

in coastal Rakhine state has caused at least 21 deaths and more than 1,600 homes have been torched in some of the worst sectarian unrest recorded in Myanmar in years.

An Associated Press journalist in the state capital, Sittwe, confirmed it was calm, with no signs of the scattered fires seen in recent days. Soldiers and police patrolled and warned people by loudspeaker to abide the existing state of emergency, which gives the military full authority over administrative and security functions in Rakhine.

Fears of renewed violence halted bus and ferry deliveries of food and other cargo from Yangon to Sittwe, limiting supplies and sending prices skyrocketing.

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Illegal immigration

Australia-bound migrants arrested

Eighty people, including Sri Lankans, Afghans and Indians who allegedly intended to migrate illegally to Australia were arrested in Sri Lanka, officials said Wednesday.

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Israeli naval raid

Report slams PM's direction

A government report slammed Benjamin Netanyahu's decisions regarding a Gaza-bound ship raid as "flawed."

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Islamist riots. Tunisia leaders condemn extremists after attacks

Tunisia's leaders on Wednesday condemned extremists after days of riots by radical Islamists left one man dead, injured 62 security personnel and led to more than 160 arrests.

Ultraconservative Islamists known as Salafis attacked an art gallery Sunday in a Tunis suburb for an exhibition they said insulted Islam. After security forces dispersed them with tear gas, gangs attacked police stations around the country over the next few days.

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A Tunisian firefighter tries to extinguish a burning fire after it was set on fire by radical Islamists during overnight riots near Tunis Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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CEO rebels

Scouts official raps policy on gays

A high-profile member of the Boy Scouts of America's governing board says he doesn't support the Scouts' policy of excluding gays and will work from within to seek a change.

Ernst & Young CEO James Turley, whose giant accounting firm has welcomed gays and lesbians in its own workforce, becomes the first member of the Scouts'

executive board known to publicly disapprove of the policy.

"I support the meaningful work of the Boy Scouts in preparing young people for adventure, leadership, learning and service," Turley said. "However the membership policy is not one I would personally endorse."

The Boy Scouts responded Wednesday, saying: "We believe that good people can personally disagree on this topic and still work together."

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\$17-million case

Amish defrauded, man sent to jail

A federal judge in Ohio has sentenced a man to six-and-a-half years in prison for defrauding fellow Amish in 29 states out of nearly \$17 million US.

Monroe Beachy, 78, pleaded guilty to mail fraud in a scheme the government says defrauded nearly 2,700 people and entities.

Beachy is a member of an Amish church about

96 kilometres south of Cleveland where he operated an investment business that filed for bankruptcy protection two years ago.

Investigators say Beachy promised to put the investors' money into safer securities.

But instead he used it for higher-risk investments.

It's uncommon for the Amish to take their disputes public. The deeply traditional religious group shuns most modern advances, including electrical appliances.

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Forest boy keeps all of Germany guessing

Mystery. He says his mother died and he buried his father, but he doesn't know his real name



Mystery boy Ray now uses a laptop and cellphone and goes to school. But who is he? CONTRIBUTED

Who is Ray? That's the question all Germany is asking.

Ray is an English-speaking teenage boy who wandered into Berlin nine months ago, saying he had been living for the last five years in the forest with his father.

But "there are many question marks," police spokesperson Thomas Neuendorf said.

The boy told authorities his father called him "Ray" and that he was born June 20, 1994, but claims not to know his last name or where he's from.

He said his mother, Doreen, died in a car accident when he was 12 and after that he and his father, Ryan, took to the forest.

He said they wandered

using maps and a compass, staying in tents or caves overnight.

He told authorities that after his father died in August 2011, he buried him in the forest and then walked five days north before ending up in Berlin, and showed up at city hall.

Police released a photo of Ray on Wednesday. "We have checked his DNA against all missing-person reports and sent the data to Interpol so they can check it internationally," Neuendorf said.

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Hubby's a bit of a giggle

Those royals are certainly high-flyers. Here, Prince William throws a foam javelin skyward, sparking a giggle from his wife Kate, Duchess of Cambridge. It happened at a children's sports event at Vernon Park in Nottingham, England, Wednesday. PHIL NOBLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Papal envoy backs bishops over birth control

Religious liberty fight. 'Delicate' approach needed in context of presidential election, ambassador says

The pope's U.S. ambassador praised American bishops Wednesday for confronting the American government over religious liberty issues, including resisting the man-

date from President Barack Obama's administration that health insurance cover birth control.

Archbishop Carlo Viganò, the papal nuncio based in Washington, noted such advocacy required a "delicate" approach in the context of a presidential election. But Viganò said the concerns were so worrisome that bishops had to act.

"It goes without saying that the Catholic Church in the United States is living in a

particularly challenging period of its history," Viganò told an Atlanta meeting of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. "Of course, I am thinking of the whole question of freedom of religion and of conscience."

The national gathering is the bishops' first since dioceses filed a dozen lawsuits against an Obama administration mandate that most employers provide health insurance covering birth control. The rule generally exempts houses of worship,

Bishops battle back

- The U.S. bishops are organizing a Fortnight for Freedom, two weeks of rallies and prayer services on religious freedom leading up to July 4.

but faith-affiliated hospitals, charities and schools would have to comply.

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Pope Benedict XVI delivers his blessing at the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome on Monday. RICCARDO DE LUCA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Surveying a mock spill

A child is pushed in a stroller past a mock oil spill outside the Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline office in downtown Vancouver on Wednesday. The display was set up by Greenpeace to show the risks of spills similar to the recent one outside of Red Deer, Alta.

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Pickton inquiry. Probe finds no evidence of harassment at commission

An investigation into claims of sexual harassment within the offices of the Robert Pickton inquiry found no evidence to corroborate what remain anonymous allegations published in the media, says a report by the lawyer who conducted the probe.

The National Post newspaper published a story in April that relied on anonymous sources who alleged they were sexually harassed while working at the commission.

The article prompted commissioner Wally Oppal to appoint an independent lawyer, Delayne Sartison, to look into the allegations. In the meantime, the commission's executive director, John Boddie, took a paid leave of absence

to ensure the investigation's independence.

Sartison interviewed current and former staff members but found no evidence of sexual harassment or gender-based discrimination, according to her report, released by the commission Wednesday.

"Many of the staff interviewed expressed that they were 'very surprised' or 'shocked' to learn of allegations of sexual harassment or gender-based discrimination at the commission," says the report.

Pickton was arrested in 2002 and eventually convicted of six counts of second-degree murder. The remains or DNA of 33 women were found on his farm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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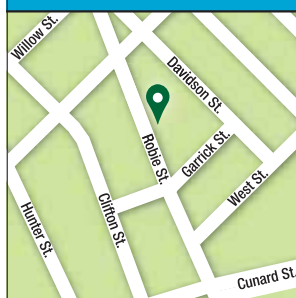


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Mouthing off. Rob Lowe gets flack online for 'hellhole Winnipeg' rant

It seems hell hath no fury like a city that's been called a "hellhole" by a second tier Hollywood actor.

Rob Lowe, in Winnipeg to shoot a made-for-TV movie, has stirred up anger after writing a message on Twitter Tuesday night that ended with the hashtag "#Trapped-inahellhole."

Lowe was complaining about how he was watching the NBA playoffs on TV when the station interrupted the game for coverage of municipal elections.

However, there were no municipal elections in Manitoba Tuesday — Lowe was likely watching a TV station based across the border in Grand Forks, N.D.

Winnipeg residents quickly fired back on Twitter, calling Lowe a jerk, a schmuck and other names.

"You can leave any time," wrote Ken Johnston.

"Feel free to leave the hell hole. I'm sure another great thespian could take your role," wrote Scott Cawson.

The apparent jab came as a disappointment to Liz Peters, a Lowe fan who managed to



Actor Rob Lowe is in Winnipeg to shoot a TV movie.

EVAN AGOSTINI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

get a picture with the star outside his hotel last week. Lowe seemed quite happy and had no complaints, she said.

Lowe was on the sitcom Parks and Recreation and also a former star of The West Wing. He's in Winnipeg to work on a made-for-TV movie about the trial of Casey Anthony, a Florida mother who was acquitted in the death of her daughter.

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Winnipeg's dumpster doggie Rayne OK

A puppy named Rayne is cared for by a City of Winnipeg Animal Services staff member after being found in a dumpster last week. The eight-week-old shepherd-collie mix was found wet and cold in a north-end garbage bin. Rayne hasn't been adopted yet due to a five-day holding period the agency has in place, but the cute little pup is getting lots of attention.

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'The dog did it'

The dog didn't do it, police say

A western Pennsylvania man who blamed his dog for causing an apartment fire has been jailed on charges that he set the blaze himself.

Cresson Township police have charged 58-year-old John Saparo with setting the fire, though police have yet to specify how.

Police did say they've determined the fire didn't start the way Saparo claimed. He told officers he was cleaning and had several fans running when his dog knocked one over which, somehow, started the fire.

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Saanich, B.C.

Alleged BBQ chip bandits arrested

Police have arrested two women in their early 20s after a bag of barbecue chips and a swath of fabric was stolen from a Saanich garage. Cops found a residential garage door was open and located the suspects. METRO

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German MPs banned for clothes linked to neo-Nazis

Controversy. Far-right lawmakers thrown out of state parliament for wearing brand popular among extremists

The president of Saxony's state parliament expelled eight far-right lawmakers from the assembly Wednesday for wearing clothes favoured by German neo-Nazis.

The NPD party lawmakers refused to remove T-shirts and shirts from the Thor Steinar company in an "openly provocative act," Saxony state parliament spokesman Ivo Klatte said.

The brand, with its runic symbols and Nordic themes, is popular among neo-Nazis in Germany, even though the company has distanced itself from far-right extremism in the past.

The lawmakers were banned from parliament's next three sessions after refusing to change or leave, Klatte said. They only left voluntarily after police entered the assembly hall to enforce their expulsion.

Parliament's rules forbid

Response

The NPD lawmakers maintained they were not trying to provoke parliament, but that the Thor Steinar shirts were worn as a "protest action" targeted at the rules banning such clothes, said NPD spokesman Thorsten Thomsen.

- "We think that no caucus member was wearing clothes that explicitly express a political opinion," he said, adding Thor Steinar was merely a "fashion brand."

clothes, posters or stickers expressing a political opinion in the assembly hall, Klatte said.

Thor Steinar clothes are "typical for the far-right scene," and assembly president Matthias Roessler said that wearing them amounted to an overt expression of a political opinion, Klatte added.

Lawmakers from centre-left and far-left opposition parties in the past were also sanctioned for wearing political stickers or posters in parliament. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Purple rain in India

Police use coloured water from a water cannon to disperse Kashmiri government employees protesting against the government in Srinagar, India, on Wednesday. The employees demanded the government compensate them for unpaid salaries and raise the retirement age. **MUKHTAR KHAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Russian ex-spy Anna Chapman, centre, walks a catwalk at a fashion show in Antalya, Turkey, earlier this month. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Lady in red. Russian ex-spy struts down the catwalk

Russian ex-spy Anna Chapman walked a Turkish catwalk in a long red dress at a fashion show, flanked by two men posing as Secret Service agents in black suits and sunglasses.

Hikmet Eraslan said Wednesday his Dosso Dossi clothing company donated to Chapman's charity foundation for children with poor eyesight in Volgograd, Russia, in return for her appearance last Friday.

The 30-year-old Chapman was deported from the United States in 2010 along with nine other Russian sleeper agents.

She appeared on the runway in the Mediterranean city of Antalya, a top Turkish vacation destination.

Chapman has been keeping a high profile since her deportation to Russia, modelling, editing a magazine, giving lectures and running the foundation. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Canada being hit by Dutch Disease: Report

Economic analysis.

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development traces the steep decline of manufacturing

The OECD is weighing in on the controversy surrounding whether Canada is suffering from an economic condition known as Dutch Disease, and it's qualified answer is yes.

The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development warns in a report released Wednesday that the run-up in commodity prices is leading to an uneven economy in Canada.

Resource-rich provinces such as Alberta, Saskatchewan and Newfoundland have prospered, while others have fallen behind, in part because a commodity boom has strengthened the Canadian dollar, hurting exchange-sensitive sectors such as manufacturing and tourism.

Mixed reactions

The analysis mirrors that of NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair, who has been accused of pitting regions against each other for political purposes.

- Last month, the Pembina Institute said what it called "oilsands fever" has spread benefits unevenly across the country and could be hiding economic turmoil down the road.
- A second report from the Macdonald-Laurier Institute argued that all provinces benefit from the commodity boom.

A similar problem occurred in the Netherlands after its North Sea oil fields created a new source of resource wealth and contributed to the hollowing out of the manufacturing sector there, hence the term Dutch Disease.

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China's consumer market growing

Customers look at displays of silk dresses at a shop in Shanghai on Wednesday. Chinese consumers can afford to splash out more on higher-quality products, but also expect better value for money than in the past, according to a study by the American Chamber of Commerce. China's consumer market is forecast to become the second largest in the world after the U.S. by 2015. Both Chinese and foreign companies are struggling to keep up as the market evolves, said the report, released Wednesday. For companies like Kraft Foods Inc. and PepsiCo. Inc., that means tailoring products to suit local tastes while leveraging the company's global brand name. Kraft spent much time researching Shanghai consumers, going into their homes, to understand their preferences in developing a branding strategy for its famous Chips Ahoy and Oreo cookies, said Haiyan Wang, chief marketing officer for Kraft Foods China. EUGENE HOSHIKO/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Retail

Dollarama rolling out \$3 items

Dollarama Inc. plans to gradually introduce some non-grocery items priced as high as \$3 this summer, the Montreal-based discount retailer announced Wednesday along with a better-than-expected profit.

Larry Rossy, Dollarama's chairman and chief executive, said customers have responded well to the addition of items that are priced above \$1 — although the previous limit was \$2. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Housing. Canadian home prices fell in first quarter

Canadian housing market conditions have cooled slightly, with prices down nearly two per cent in the first-quarter, but the country continues to outperform other developed nations, according to a new Scotiabank real estate report.

The latest Scotiabank Global Real Estate Trends report released Wednesday found that the inflation-adjusted national average home price fell by 1.6 per cent in the first quarter of 2012 compared to the same period of 2011.

That compared with a 1.3 inflation-adjusted year-over-year gain in the fourth quarter of 2011. Canada's housing market remains an outperformer among developed nations, but conditions have cooled here as well, according to Scotiabank economist Adrienne Warren.

"Price trends are relatively steady in the majority of local markets, though a few, notably Toronto, continue to report strong appreciation," Warren writes in the report, released Wednesday.

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Trade. Minister denounces protectionism as job killer

Free and open trade, rather than protectionism, is the best way to secure a global recovery and create jobs, International Trade Minister Ed Fast told a Montreal economic conference Wednesday.

In a speech to the International Economic Forum of the Americas, Fast said Canada must improve its access to growing markets around the world, particularly in Latin America and the Asia Pacific region.

Canada's government also hopes to conclude the world's largest free-trade agreement

with the European Union by the end of this year, he added.

Fast said people who deny the benefits of trade wilfully ignore the foundation of Canadian prosperity and its history.

"At its very heart, the anti-trade opposition lacks faith that Canada can succeed in the global economy," Fast told delegates to the 18th annual Conference of Montreal.

"They represent a Canada that cowers in the face of competition. A Canada that lacks confidence."

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More joining wireless lineup

From left: The Big Jambox by Jawbone, the Braven 650, the Beacon Audio Phoenix and Logitech's Mini Boombox, wireless speakers that connect to smartphones via Bluetooth. Diminutive wireless speakers are increasingly filling the shelves at electronics retailers as they quickly prove to be the perfect accessory for people who listen to the bulk of their music on mobile phones. **RON HARRIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Keystone XL pipeline. Oklahoma governor says she's frustrated by delays

Oklahoma's governor is losing patience with delays in building the controversial Keystone XL oil pipeline, which would cross through her state on its way from Alberta to the Texas coast.

Mary Fallin told delegates at the Global Petroleum Show on Wednesday she's encouraged

that the backer of the \$7.6-billion US project, TransCanada Corp., plans to start building a stretch of pipe from her state south to Texas refineries very soon. Fallin also says the U.S. should be buying crude from a "friend" and "ally" like Canada instead of from hostile regimes.

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Tablet ownership surges in Canada

Tech trends. Survey finds number of devices rose 3.5 times compared to 2011

Tablet ownership continues to surge in Canada, and online and mobile TV viewing is on the rise, according to a new report on tech trends in Canada.

Based on 2,000 surveys of anglophone Canadians conducted in March and April,

CBC/Radio-Canada's Media Technology Monitor found that the rapid adoption of tablets continues, with about 21 per cent of those surveyed reporting they owned one of the pricey devices. That figure is up 3.5 times compared to last spring, when only six per cent of anglophone Canadians had a tablet.

Apple's iPad was far and away the most popular tablet with about 62 per cent of the market in Canada, while Research in Motion's BlackBerry

PlayBook had a share of almost 20 per cent, according to the survey results.

More Canadians also said they're using their mobile devices to watch TV. About 21 per cent of tablet owners said they are now watching TV shows on their device, which represents about five per cent of the total anglophone population. Only about two per cent of anglophones were watching TV shows on tablets in the spring of 2011.

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Online viewing

The viewing of online video on mobiles devices, computers and TV sets grew in March.

- **71 per cent** watched some type of online video.
- **1 in 5** watched full-length TV episodes.
- **19 per cent** watched a feature film.



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HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE GAME



HE SAYS...
John Mazerolle
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North Americans have finally accepted the Beautiful Game. When I watched my first World Cup in 1990, people condemned soccer as boring and unmanly and just generally this European thing we

didn't understand, like men in beach thongs.

Now, as the Euro plays out, even those who don't love it have come to accept its value. It's like when a passively xenophobic guy in a small town meets his first immigrant. "Hey," he says, "that soccer guy is all right."

Soccer and I got off to rocky start. I remember watching 22 years ago and thinking that each game had the same excitement level as CPAC.

Stop the excitement!

"I thought maybe there was an applause meter that let refs know when the game was getting too interesting."

was an applause meter that let refs know when the game was getting too interesting.

I also had a problem with diving — not that players did it, but that they were so bad at it.

Soccer players are terrible actors. A player will collapse to the pitch like he's stepped on a land mine, even though replays show the opposing player had only made eye contact. That I can accept, but the game loses me when the diver rolls back and forth like he's kneading a patch of dough. No truly injured person in the history of the world has ever rolled back and forth violently. Nobody who's been in a car accident thinks, "Better roll it out."

And of course I hated hooligans. Even hated the name, which makes the most despicable people in the world sound like loveable scamps.

But I've since come around, if only because North America knows how to screw up their sports, too.

If I still find the occasional soccer game boring, I need only think of what it was like to watch this year's NHL playoffs, which in the final two rounds were an amazing display of shot-blocking, icings and offside that the world had not witnessed the likes of since mid-January.

If I consider diving unsportsmanlike, I can think of how many people shrug off baseball players cheating their way right into the record books.

And if I wish to condemn rioters and thugs (and I do), I can also note how often North American sporting events seem to be celebrated with the ceremonial Burning of the Cars.

So now when the World Cup and the Euro roll around, I latch on to a team or two and drink in the colourful costumes, bicycle kicks, celebration runs and the rising crescendo of the soccer chant.

Frankly, any sport that can get 80,000 fans in one place without any of them singing YMCA is all right by me.



Danish fans soak up the atmosphere during a Euro 2012 match between Denmark and Portugal at Arena Lviv Wednesday in Lviv, Ukraine.
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Highs and lows at Euro 2012



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Action

Portugal wins, Russian fans rage

A Portugal fan enjoys the pre-game atmosphere during a Euro 2012 match between Denmark and Portugal at Arena Lviv on Wednesday in Lviv, Ukraine.

Portugal went on to beat Denmark 3-2.

But the tournament has not been without its fair share of controversy.

Russia could be deducted six points in its qualifying group for the next European Championship if its fans turn violent

again at Euro 2012.

UEFA fined the Russian soccer association \$150,000 US on Wednesday because its fans attacked stadium stewards at a match last week in Poland. UEFA also gave the federation a suspended six-point deduction for a repeat offence.

Within hours of the announcement, UEFA charged Russia with further offences relating to its fans' behaviour inside the National Stadium during the match against Poland on Tuesday in Warsaw. Russian fans were also filmed fighting with stadium staff in Wroclaw after a 4-1 win last Friday.

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Baring it all

Croatia's culture ministry has told an employee to stop revealing her bare breasts at European Championship matches.

- Topless Internet photos of Jelena Miksa, a clerk at the culture ministry, and a female family member have been a hit on social networks and local media as they celebrated Croatia's 3-1 victory over Ireland on Sunday in Poznan, Poland.

- The women said they did it in support of the team.

Offside

"We don't want to sound discourteous — we've always been willing to take on any type of subject — but we'll return to that when we're calmer, not on the eve of a key match."

Italy coach Cesare Prandelli, responding to Italy player Antonio Cassano's remark on gay footballers. Cassano said Tuesday that he hopes there are no homosexual players on the national team at the European Championship, then used a derogatory word to describe gays. Hours later, he issued an apology.



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A scene from Morgan Strug's documentary *Work-in-Progress* being shown Sunday at Neptune Studio Theatre. SUPPLIED

Making Halifax drag 'special'

Academia to doc.
Initiative of Morgan Strug won her a slot at City's first OUTeast queer film festival



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How will you know if you don't try? Better yet, how will you learn if you don't ask questions?

Just ask Morgan Strug. Knowing little about her thesis topic, *The History of Drag*, Strug logged several glittery hours seated front and

Quoted

"I found the performers here are unique and have a level of professionalism and ability that isn't prioritized in other places."

Morgan Strug, documentary filmmaker.

centre at drag shows. "I found the performers here are unique and have a level of professionalism and ability that isn't prioritized in other places," Strug told me. "That's what makes (Halifax) drag special — it's so individualized."

In awe of the glitz, glamour, and the guts of these talented performers, Strug sought to share her newfound fascination with a wider

audience. Compiling footage for her first documentary, Strug submitted her work to Come OUTeast, one of many teaser events for OUTeast, a queer film festival in Halifax.

"It wasn't accepted but I asked them what I could improve on," Strug said.

Strug's determination to achieve as a filmmaker resonated with OUTeast festival producer, Andria Wilson.

"We were inspired so we

got back in touch with her and researched some funding through the province of Nova Scotia to start a mentorship program effectively to support her and her work," Wilson said.

After a year of mentorship, and now fine-tuning a full-length documentary for the festival's Special Event Screening, *Work-in-Progress* creator Strug remains modest.

"I think I was just a lucky applicant," Strug says.

And of the festival's first protégé, Wilson says: "Morgan took the initiative to make this happen. That's the kind of people we are looking to work with."

"This being the first OUTeast Film Festival, we want

Details

- *Work-in-Progress* will be shown on Sunday at 3 p.m. at Neptune Studio Theatre. The cost is \$10.
- The OutEast Queer Film Festivals runs Thursday through Sunday. Visit outeastfilmfest.com for complete event details.

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SCENE

Scene in brief

Cruise honoured by Friars

Tom Cruise was in Manhattan to collect an award, and, yes, promote a movie. On Tuesday night, the actor received the fourth-ever Friars Club Entertainment Icon Award, placing him in the same company as Douglas Fairbanks, Cary Grant and Frank Sinatra. The evening was a toast, not a roast. Alec Baldwin presided at the Waldorf-Astoria, where speakers included such former co-stars as Cuba Gooding Jr. and Kevin Pollak. Robin Thicke and Corinne Rae Bailey were among the musical performers. Many had stories about working with Cruise and his impact on them.

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Skies the limit for Jessup as he bags bigger role

Turning 18. Canadian actor's *Falling Skies* character — Ben Mason — is not only growing up, he's finally getting a gun and a taste of the action

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June is a big month for Canadian actor Connor Jessup, to put it lightly. First, he's finishing high school, and later this month he turns 18. On top of all that, Jessup gets to celebrate the second season premiere of the science-fiction series *Falling Skies*, in which his character, Ben Mason, plays a much bigger — and more gunplay-filled — role than in the first season.

It must be stressful trying to

Quoted

"I like to describe it as puberty on steroids — he doesn't know what's happening to him."

Connor Jessup, *Falling Skies*, explaining the changes his character is going through

juggle promoting a TV show and finishing high school.

Yeah. It's less stressful than trying to juggle shooting

the show and finishing high school, which was basically impossible to do. So now I'm suffering for the time I spent shooting, trying to catch up with everything. I graduate the day before my 18th birthday, so it's very exciting. Which is also three days after the show airs, so it's a very packed week. June's exciting.

Your character gets a lot more to do on the show this year.



Toronto-born Connor Jessup is happy that his *Falling Skies* character is getting more exciting things to do next season. BENNY HADDAD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Last season, Ben was the guy who stayed back and didn't go out on any fights. He was more passive, more bookish. He was less involved in the actual action of the show. Between seasons one and two, there's a time gap of three months, and in that time he's become a fighter. He's become much more aggressive. He's become very angry because he thinks his dad is gone and probably dead, he's lost a lot of people in these various battles. He's become much colder and more distant. When the season takes off, he's fighting. He's very angry at the aliens, but a lot of that anger is a manifestation of his own fear and confusion. I like to describe it as puberty on steroids — he doesn't know what's happening to him, there's a lot happening to his body, to his emotions, and he's trying to deal with them through angst, violence and aggressiveness. But also this season Ben plays a much more central role in the mystery of the show.

What was your reaction when you heard how much more you'd have to do?

It happened in stages. We found out that the show was getting picked up for a second season in July, almost a few weeks after it aired, but I didn't hear anything after that about what the season was about or what was happening, until September,

which was only three or four weeks before we started shooting. So it's mid-September and I get a phone call from one of our executive producers and directors, Greg Beeman. I love him a lot, but he has a very succinct way of talking. He gets right to the point. He just said, "You're going to be an action hero. Buff up" and hung up, pretty much. He left me with that. I didn't know what it meant, I didn't know the context. All I knew was that I was going to be involved in the action stuff, and I had three and a half weeks to go to the gym.

Aside from a lot of time in the gym, you had to do some weapons training as well.

Last year, I was always very envious of the other cast members with their AK-47s and their pistols and grenade launchers and all those things. I was always kind of hoping that I could use one. I always thought that it was a distant possibility, but sure enough my character, beyond just using one, always has one now. So we had to go through weapons training before we started shooting, which is basically just a day of learning how to handle weapons, be safe with them because we fire a lot of blanks in the show. You get to pick your weapon in the show, so the guns end up reflecting the characters.

Walking Dead creator attributes his success to staying immature

A big game of chase. Zombie series' universal appeal comes from its simplicity and ability to keep viewers guessing what's next

The executive producer of AMC's wildly popular zombie series *The Walking Dead* has spent his life with one foot in the fantasy realm and the other in the real world.

The show, now renewed for a third season, premiered in 2010, and tells the story of a small group of survivors living in the aftermath of a zombie apocalypse.

The story takes place first in the Atlanta metropolitan area and then the surrounding countryside as the survivors search for a safe haven away from the shuffling hordes of predatory zombies or "walkers."

The show stars Andrew Lincoln as sheriff's deputy Rick Grimes, who wakes up from a coma to find the world dominated by zombies. He sets out to find his family and survivors along the way.

Quoted

"The Walking Dead is a success all around the world because it is the most basic, childish game you can play."

Glen Mazzara, *Walking Dead* showrunner explains the reason why his show works

"I have three passions I have had my entire life that are coming together in this unique project: comic books, TV and horror films," said Glen Mazzara, the showrunner and executive producer in a speech at the Banff World Media Festival on Tuesday.

But Mazzara's passions have never met with the approval from family, friends or teachers throughout his life.

"My personal experience is anything I've been interested in as an adult or interested in as a child, an adult comes in and shuts it down and says it's not worthy. It's been a puzzle I've been dealing with my whole life."

Mazzara admits he is surprised by the success of the show, which is based on the long-running comic book of the same name. It is shown in 122 countries to huge ratings and has created a cottage industry with video games, action figures, board games and even playing cards.

"I feel that *The Walking Dead* is a success all around the world because it is the most basic, childish game you can play," he explained.

"It's the game of 'chase,' the game of 'I'm going to get you,' which is really just an advancement of 'peekaboo.'"

Mazzara is revealing very little information about future seasons of *The Walking Dead* other than plans to keep the viewer engaged.

"If I like this theory about keeping things in motion, keeping the audience on the edge of its seat — we'll see how long people want to

play," Mazzara said.

"I'm like the dungeon-master, I'm the game master and the guy who says, 'Look out! I'm going to get you.'"

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English actor Andrew Lincoln stars in *The Walking Dead* as a suburban Atlanta sheriff's deputy who awakes from a coma to discover that his world is now dominated by zombies. HANDOUT

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The *Walking Dead*'s Glen Mazzara gets to combine his passions — comic books, TV and horror — in his show. BILL GRAVELAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Colin Farrell fully embraces demands of starring role in Total Recall remake

Summer blockbuster.

Rising star and cast had a blast shooting sequel to 1990 sci-fi thriller in Toronto

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As eager as he may be for audiences to enjoy his work in the upcoming big-budget Total Recall remake, Colin Farrell wants to state upfront that there's one area in which his version wouldn't dare to compete with the 1990 Schwarzenegger original: "I noticed a lack of one-line jokes," he laughs. "No one does one-liners like Arnie!"

The Recall update is set to be a more sober, serious take on the tale of an oblivious man in the near future who tampers with his memories and ends up uncovering a hidden past and personality.

Farrell says he was at first reluctant to leap into a produc-



Colin Farrell stars in Columbia Pictures remake of Total Recall which opens in theatres August 3. COLUMBIA PICTURES

tion that encompassed such a humongous scope, one that overran Toronto streets as well as occupying several cavernous soundstages at the city's new Pinewood studio facility while shooting last year.

"It was terrifying," he admits. "I've been quite content creatively, over the last six or

seven years, doing films that were smaller in budgetary scale. It scares the s---t out of me, the idea of being in a really, really big film, it really does.

"But I'm open to it. Initially, I responded to the script and I responded to the idea of a man named Quaid who just really

didn't know who he was. It brings up the questions: What makes a person what they are? What makes us all? Can you reclaim, can you change? So meeting Len (Wiseman, director) and seeing his concept artwork and the world he was going to create ... I came away from meeting him saying, 'I

really love to do this, I hope I can!'"

Actress Jessica Biel appears in the film as capable and sexy freedom fighter Melina. Of her role, Biel says, "Melina's grown up very much this underground soldier, and this very strong, empowered person."

Farrell and Biel are chatting

with members of the media after a lengthy and particularly punishing day of staging Total Recall's extensive zero-gravity simulations. The action saw the pair trussed up by wires and hung upside down for hours at a time while blasting away with futuristic firearms.

"It's actually so physically painful that there's nothing to do but laugh," Biel says. "You just get completely giddy and it gets to a point where you feel like your eyeballs are about to pop out. We've done our best to laugh through it."

Biel goes on to say that she had much more fun working on her fight scene with co-star Kate Beckinsale, who plays the villainous Lori. She found the scene interesting "because (Kate and I) never fight with women. You're always fighting a monster or thug or something. You never fight a beautiful, sinewy long haired woman. I think it'll look really cool and aggressive. The only issue that we had during the fight was that Kate's hair kept getting stuck in my jacket!"

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The remastering of a science-fiction classic

A new vision.
Director Len Wiseman combines stunning visuals with a compelling mystery

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With remakes of beloved titles hitting multiplexes on a seemingly weekly basis, it's a tricky balancing act for those filmmakers to attract new fans as well as satisfying devotees of the source material.

It's a battle with which the director of the new Total Recall, Len Wiseman, is well aware: "It was a challenge. The Recall script came to me, out of the blue, and I was just taken by the direction that it went in. Of course, there's going to be a side that says, 'Why even do it if it's going to be that much different?' The other group says, 'If there's nothing new, nothing original, why bother?' With all of that out there, I just very selfishly make the movie for myself, and hopefully other people like it."

Wiseman's Recall is certainly adopting a fresh perspective. Gone is the Mars setting of the first film, replaced by a divided earth and a massive tunnel between two nations, bored directly through the centre of the globe.

Production designer Patrick Tatopoulos describes the two sides, with the United Federation of Britain, home of the ruling class, being "bright and clean, with beautiful misty skies. Everything is pristine."

In New Asia, the hardscrapable home of lead character Quaid (played by Colin Farrell), Tatopoulos says, "It feels like old and new technology together. It'll be really grungy. We shot with 350 (extras), so it really feels like a living city. The costumes are going to be outrageous."

As elaborate as the environment and visuals are, Wiseman hopes the core story of hunting for one's identity will be his Recall's most compelling aspect. "There's a ton of action," he says, "but action is completely dead if there's no driving emotion or mystery behind it. What I love about this project the most, I love a mystery any-

A family affair

Total Recall marks the third occasion that Len Wiseman has directed his wife, actress Kate Beckinsale. "Kate's been in action movies before, but never as the villain," Wiseman says. "I love the idea." For this Recall, Beckinsale appears as the duplicitous Lori, the role played by Sharon Stone in the 1990 original.

ways, but when the mystery is about the character himself. I'm always drawn to that, like The Fugitive, or Bourne or Blade Runner. Going through the action, there are puzzle pieces within; as Quaid is trying to find out the ultimate mystery, which is, 'Who am I?' That's a big part of it, because otherwise it's just a bunch of explosions and expensive effects."

Wiseman also stood fast against pressure to have Recall released in 3-D. "I'm not against 3-D. It just didn't work with what kind of film I was trying to make."

Quaid, played by Colin Farrell, seated in the Mind Trip Chair inside the Recall Tripping Den in action thriller Total Recall. COLUMBIA PICTURES



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Arquette making divorce official

David Arquette, after nearly two years of separation, has finally filed for divorce from Courteney Cox, according to TMZ.

The papers, however, list the official date of separation as December 31, 2011.

Arquette apparently signed the papers in March but held off on submitting them until Tuesday,

which would have been the couple's 13th anniversary. Arquette cited irreconcilable differences in the filing, and though he's asking for joint legal and physical custody of their eight-year-old daughter, Coco, he has not asked for spousal or child support.

Arquette also plans to represent himself in the proceeding.



David Arquette

Richards in splitsville

The apparent romantic rekindling between Richie Sambora and Denise Richards is now off, it turns out, according to Celebuzz.

"They're done," a source says. "They've always stayed friends through everything they've gone through. Sambora and Richards first dated in 2006 after splitting from their respective exes, Heather Locklear and Charlie Sheen.



Denise Richards

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Lindsay Lohan ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Lohan escapes a charge, earns a babysitter

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This Lindsay Lohan car crash is turning out to be especially hard to look away from.

Not only did the actress lie about who was driving, but now police have confiscated a plastic bottle full of alcohol from the rented Porsche's trunk, reports TMZ. Luckily, police have decided not to cite her with an open container violation, and she reportedly was not under the influence at the

time of the crash. Lohan's employers, however, aren't willing to look the other way. The producers of her new Elizabeth Taylor biopic for Lifetime, Liz & Dick, decided to stop taking chances and hired her a driver.

"Lifetime will lose a ton of money if Lindsay doesn't finish filming Liz and Dick, plus they don't want anything to happen to her on their watch," a source tells PerezHilton.com. "So it was decided it would be cheaper to get her a driver. This is a make-or-break moment for Lindsay."

Nice start, guys. But we recommend adding a special ops team, a creative pharmacist, a lazy river and the fluffiest basket of kittens L.A. has to offer if you truly want to contain this girl.

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I'd pay big money to watch Ken dolls in a fight club. Which is weird.



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Nothing to rant about, damn, must watch the news.....



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I just noticed a news item that says the Nobel Prize has shrunk from 1.4 million to 1.2. What's the point of going on?



Leonardo DiCaprio

DiCaprio coupling up with Heatherton

Leonardo DiCaprio appears to be serious about his latest girlfriend, Victoria's Secret model Erin Heatherton, whom he's been dating long-distance since December, according to Us Weekly.

Though he followed up filming The Great Gatsby in Australia by

heading straight to New Orleans for Quentin Tarantino's Django Unchained, DiCaprio has been making more time for Heatherton lately, hitting the town in New York.

They were spotted fawning over one another at the restaurant Candela earlier this week.

And just last week, the pair hit up New York hotspot the Darby.

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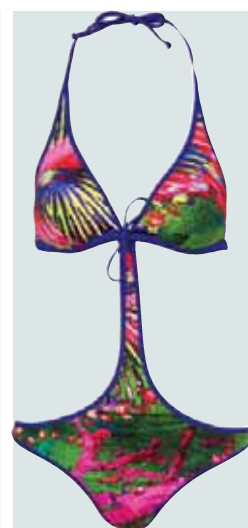


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"I think sex sells for women also," says model Matthew Terry. Of course he would say that, being one of the current Calvin Klein Bold Underwear Adonises. You'll no doubt have borne witness to his seductive form in bright, 'bold' trunks stretched taut, abdominals gleaming, hair slicked back — the body perfect emissary of the global super brand.

The poster boy continues: "Especially if a girl sees an ad for men's underwear and she finds the model appealing, then maybe she'll buy the product for her boyfriend." I resist saying they want you and preferably without your pants on, seeing as he seems oblivious to the fact that he is the reason women swoon and men disdainfully stare at their turgid guts.

However, the body and look that we so admire with either lust or envy is the result of an Olympian-esque training regime (aside from the odd glass



of wine) and you thought modeling was easy money. Tsk!

A healthy start

"I get up and exfoliate my back and neck and I wash with Panoxyl face wash — I use this twice daily because I have slightly oily skin." He is human after all. Terry adds, "For breakfast I eat an English muffin with peanut butter (high in calories but filled with the same

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Warm weather workout for summer

"I try to hit all the muscle groups and recently I've been randomizing my workouts." In layman's terms that means short bursts of exercise per repetition, repeated ten times.

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The Pennsylvania-born model says, "I drink plenty of water to avoid muscle cramps and I do the exercises for a maximum of two hours and a minimum of one hour." Bear in mind that Terry goes to the gym four times a week and might just "pump out 50 push ups on a day." Don't we all?

Hit the abs

"There are pieces of equipment that focus on the abdominals — personally I like the gym ball," admits the 20-year-old.

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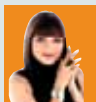
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Rug rules

If the room is in desperate need of colour or pattern, then choose a glass or Lucite coffee table to show off your rug.

Too much colour for your liking? A wooden table or large ottoman will help break it up.

Use a rug to define an area in a room or hallway. Two or three short runners can break up a long hallway space and shorten the overall look while a collection of layered rugs can be easily moved around for a variety of looks.

In small spaces try to match the tone (light and dark) of the rug to the floor; it visually makes the space look larger if both match.

Patterned carpets are great for high-traffic areas as they show less wear and tear than a solid colour.

Don't excuse using outdoor woven rugs inside to take the wear and tear of a busy space.

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The third sheet covers the blanket and gets tucked

in just like all of the other sheets on the bed. This third sheet made the bed softer and nicer so that you didn't feel the rough wool against your skin, and more importantly you didn't dirty the wool blanket, as washing it was very difficult.

If the bed had a duvet, it was then folded in a "three-fold" at the end of the bed and only used on very cold nights.

Although not common today, when you see a bed made in this fashion, and sleep in a bed made with three sheets, it is fabulous, luxurious and such a treat!

Lastly, often the "third sheet" had a family crest or initials in the middle of the sheet, which visually looks breathtaking.

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Ready to meet new meat? Say hello to cutting edge of the carnivore world

The economy has prompted cost-conscious restaurant chefs to spearhead creative — and often less costly — new cuts of beef.

And when they do that, it usually doesn't take long for those cuts to move off the menu and into butcher and grocery shops.

To help get you grill with some of the newly popular cuts of beef, here are two recipes for meats on the cutting edge.

1. In a bowl, stir together the oil, brown sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon pepper, garlic powder, onion powder, smoked paprika, cumin and cayenne.

2. Place the steaks in the

Ingredients

Start to finish: 45 minutes

- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 tbsp brown sugar
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp onion powder
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1/4 tsp cayenne
- Four 12-oz chuck roll steaks
- 1 large sweet onion, cut into 4 thick slices

Chuck Roll Steaks with Barbecue Rub and Grilled Onions.



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

bowl and massage the mixture into the meat, making sure to coat all sides. Allow to sit at room temperature for 30 minutes.

3. Heat the grill to medium-high.

4. Season the onion slices with salt and pepper. Grill the onions without flipping them for 6 to 8 minutes, or until charred and tender. Grill the steaks for 4 to 5 minutes per side for

medium-rare.

5. Remove the steaks from the heat and allow to rest for 8 to 10 minutes before serving. Serve with the grilled onions.

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An unlikely combination that works. Fennel-Rubbed Denver Steaks with Fennel & Blue Cheese



This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

1. Heat the grill to medium-high.

2. In a spice grinder or using a mortar and pestle, grind the fennel seeds. Sprinkle the ground seeds over both sides of the steaks, then rub into the meat. Season the steaks with salt and pepper. Season the fennel bulb quarters with salt and black pepper.

3. Soak a crumpled paper towel with oil. Clipping the paper towel with tongs, oil the grates of the grill. Grill

the fennel quarters for 10 minutes, turning once during cooking. Grill the steaks for 4 to 6 minutes per side for medium-rare. Remove the steaks from the heat and allow to rest for 8 to 10 minutes.

4. To serve, arrange 2 fennel quarters on each plate. Squeeze some fresh lemon juice over them, then top with a sprinkle of blue cheese. Serve with the steak.

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Ingredients

Start to finish: 30 minutes

- 1 tsp fennel seeds
- 4 Denver cut steaks, 3/4-inch thick (2 lbs total)
- Salt and ground black pepper

- 2 fennel bulbs, white parts only, cut into quarters
- Vegetable or canola oil
- Wedges of lemon
- 1/4 cup crumbled blue cheese

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Spending quality time with dad during Father's Day is a simple, yet thoughtful, gesture from the family. DESIGN PICS/THINKSTOCK

How to celebrate dad's big day

ASTRID VAN DEN BROEK
For Metro

You and the kids have breakfast in bed planned. Now what else should you do for Father's Day? Here are some other ways to celebrate the big guy this Sunday.

Make it from the heart
"To truly celebrate my role

as a father, I would love to be recognized for the things I do day in and day out," says Jim Lin, the blogger behind busydad.com. And that recognition could even be as small as a homemade card or drawing telling dad why he really is the best dad ever.

"But if you want to indulge me on my special day, all I really want to do is spend the day enjoying

my family without the usual distractions that come with it, such as chores, cleaning, watching what I eat and so forth."

However, if you are out of preschool and have grown out of making those homemade cards for dad, little heartfelt gestures go a long way — think taking dad out to do something he loves, from going for coffee to a

game of tennis on the courts.

Keep it family focused

The point is to make it special and involve the family, says Chris Read, the blogger who writes canadiandad.com. "While a lot of guys would love to golf with their buddies or ride in a limo in Vegas, the real truth is that we have all year to do that stuff and this day should be

about family," says Read. "Maybe give dad an hour to himself at some point during the day and that will be more than enough. Though, this depends on the lifestyles of the family."

Sleep, sleep, sleep

Give dad the ultimate gift any father can appreciate.

"On the actual day, a sleep-in is always a great way

to spoil dad. They're a lot less frequent nowadays," says Nick Cheeseman, a father and blogger with Canadad (ncheeseman.blogspot.ca).

"For me, a day of family fun such as an outing to the zoo would be best the way to spend it. Just avoid maybe big brunches with the whole extended family or some time to watch the big game on the couch."

New ideas. Resist the urge to get the same old gift

Step away from the tie ... and try getting something new for dad this Father's Day. Stumped for ideas?

We asked four daddy bloggers for suggestions on what to give dad.

Dads in their 20s-30s

"Try spoiling dad with things like breakfast in bed or an hour at a day spa — yes, modern dads also enjoy look-

ing after their bodies well," says Stefan Korn, the blogger behind DIYFather.com. Many spas offer Father's Day packages that include services such as facials, massages, pedicures for men and more.

Dads in their 40s-50s

Help keep top of dad's mind while he is at work, suggests Warren Orlans, the blogger behind urbandaddy.world-

press.com. "Last year, I received a beautiful set of cufflinks, which are very much back in fashion for working dads," he says. Other ideas include a picture frame with the family's picture in it or a mouse pad with a picture of the kids on it.

"Give him something where he can be a kid again," says Nick Cheeseman, the Canadad blogger (nchees-

man.blogspot.ca). Think gifts such as a new football if dad likes to toss the ball around or a new Wii game just for him to play.

"Tickets to a sporting event or some advanced driving lessons — rally or race, not defensive — also works," says Cheeseman. "If you really want to splurge, how about a whitewater rafting trip with his buddies or a

weekend kid free, especially with his wife."

Dads in 60s and older

Give dad a bottle of his favourite drink, suggests Korn. Get a little creative if you can — pair a bottle of spicy vodka with a can of Clamato, celery salt and pepperoni sticks or a bunch of celery for homemade Caesars, or a six-pack of beer plus an offer to take

him on a brewery tour.

If you really can't decide what to get him, give the choice to dad. "Dads love gift cards to tool shops, sporting goods stores and electronics," says Chris Read, the blogger with canadiandad.com.

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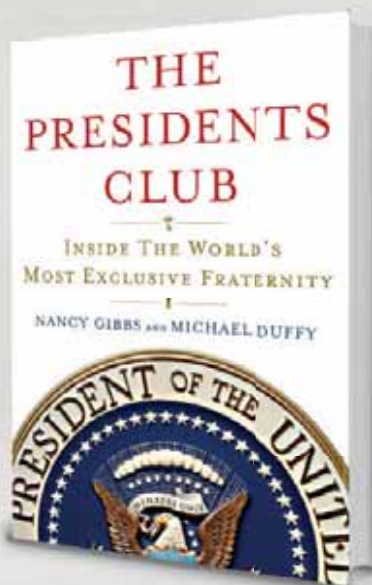
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Diablo III Microsoft Windows, Mac OS X

It's an intense action role-playing, dungeon crawling, hack and slash, online single-player, online multiplayer



blockbuster. Now all dad has to do is lay cunning traps on his enemies, turn destructible objects against his foes, and battle the unholy forces of the Burning Hells. Easy, right?

Max Payne 3 Microsoft Windows, PS3, Xbox 360

A third-person shooter featuring single and multiplayer modes, Rockstar Games brings dad cutting-edge mechanics for precision gunplay and advanced new Bullet Time and Shootdodge effects. No longer a cop, dad gets



to play as Max — close to washed up and addicted to pain killers. Then, in an effort to escape his troubled past, he has to protect the family of a wealthy real estate mogul and he also gets to shoot stuff.

Lollipop Chainsaw PS3, Xbox 360

Everybody knows dads love a good zombie hack and slash. Releasing just in time for Father's Day, Lollipop Chainsaw is the "un-deadly" story of sweet and killer chainsaw-wielding zombie-hunter Juliet Starling and her quest to



uncover the root of a colossal zombie outbreak.

The Walking Dead: The Game iOs, Mac OS X, Microsoft Windows, PS3, Xbox 360 MSRP: \$4.99 Five Monthly Episodes

Is dad hooked on The Walking Dead? If so, he might need this downloadable adventure game based on the comic book and TV series. In it, dad will be forced to make meaningful decisions, explore his surroundings, protect the orphaned girl named Clementine, and fight for survival



while enduring the true horror of the zombie apocalypse.

Ghost Recon: Future Soldier PS3, Xbox360, Microsoft Windows

In this tactical shooter, dad will be armed to the teeth with an arsenal of real-world high-tech weaponry only in prototype today.

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Food for thought

Is the best way to dad's heart through his stomach? If so, daddy bloggers dish on foods to spoil dad with.

Start with breakfast

In his seven Father's Days as a dad, Warren Orleans, the blogger behind *urbandaddy.wordpress.com*, looks forward to a special family breakfast.

"A good Father's Day starts with breakfast out and ends with a barbecue," says Orleans.

Bring on the meat!

"Break out the barbecue and surprise me with a giant piece of Canadian beef!" says Chris Read, the Ottawa-based blogger behind *Canadiandad.com*.

"If that's not possible, there are always ribs or pizza."

Nick Cheeseman, the Canadad blogger (*ncheeseman.blogspot.ca*), says steaks and bacon are always welcome to pop.

"But you could make it a bit more adventurous with lamb shanks or Osso Buco," he suggests. Want to cook it yourself? Search Metro News' food section (*metronews.ca/food*) or Foodnetwork.ca's site for inspiring recipes.

Don't forget the drinks

Read also suggests switching dad's drinks up for the day. "Father's Day isn't your run of the mill day so we don't want run of mill beverages," says Read, who prefers a glass of Crown Royal whiskey and Coke or a bottle of Steam Whistle beer. If dad is a wine lover, buy a bottle of his favourite wine and pair it with a wine appreciation course.

In the end, indulge

This is what dad really wants, says Jim Lin, the face behind *busydadblogger.com*. "All dad wants is to enjoy indulging in comfort food to his heart's content," he says. "We don't need a fancy dinner. We just need a hunk of meat, or something dripping with cheese, drenched with sugar, deep fried, or all of the above. We generally avoid these foods because we want to live as long as possible to take care of our families. But these simple indulgences make us happier than you would ever believe."

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Father does know best

Pop culture. Dads on the big and small screen have shaped our behaviour over the years

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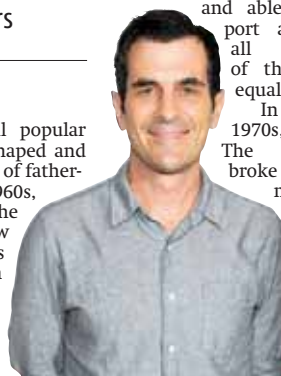
"I'm not a father, but I play one on television"

As much as we may like to deny it, popular television shows and movies shape our behaviour. Fatherhood is no exception. Here is a quick guide to some well-known fathers and how they influence our take on fatherhood.

Television

Television, like all popular media, has both shaped and reflected our views of fatherhood. In the 1960s, programs such as the Andy Griffith Show idealized fathers as upstanding men

Ty Burrell plays Phil Dunphy on the comedy *Modern Family*.



who were free from vice and able to support and love all members of the family equally.

In the 1970s, *All in the Family* broke the mould with a father whose foibles and bigotry provided com-

ic relief. Despite his shortcomings, however, Archie Bunker managed to remain endearing.

In the 1980s and 1990s, fathers took on a much broader range, from the comically hopeless Homer Simpson, to the letter-perfect Heathcliff Huxtable on *The Cosby Show* and the tragically spineless Ray Barone on *Everybody Loves Raymond*.

Phil Dunphy of *Modern Family* puts an interesting modern twist on fatherhood called "peerenting" — talk like a peer, but act like a parent.

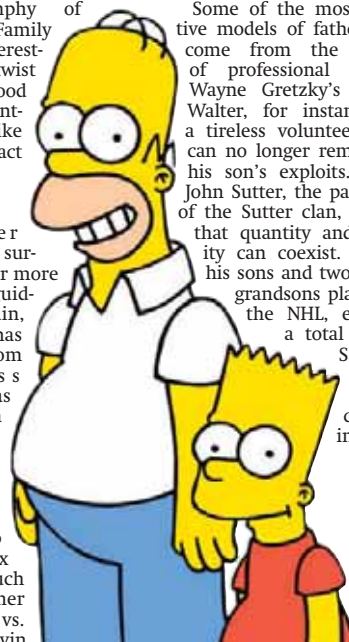
Movies

Blockbuster movies, not surprisingly, offer more dramatic guidance. Again, the model has changed from matches heroes such as Atticus Finch in *To Kill a Mockingbird* and George Bailey in *It's a Wonderful Life* to more complex characters such as Ted Kramer in *Kramer vs. Kramer*, Calvin

Jarrett in *Ordinary People*, and Lester Burnham in *American Beauty*.

Perhaps the strongest lessons from movie fathers have to do with what to avoid: The family business (Don Vito Corleone in *The Godfather*), the dark side (Darth Vader in the *Star Wars* series), and winters spent in an empty resort (Jack Torrance in *The Shining*).

Some of the most positive models of fatherhood come from the world of professional sports. Wayne Gretzky's father Walter, for instance, is a tireless volunteer who can no longer remember his son's exploits. Louis John Sutter, the patriarch of the Sutter clan, proves that quantity and quality can coexist. Six of his sons and two of his grandsons played in the NHL, earning a total of six Stanley Cups — and counting.



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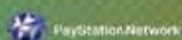
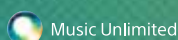
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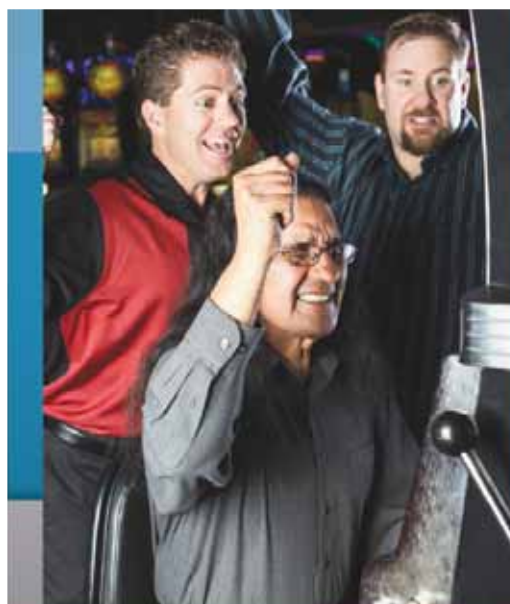


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Clarins Men Exfoliating Cleanser combines salicylic acid and lava powder to keep pores clear, get rid of patchy dry skin, and leave dad's face feeling smooth and clean. \$32, The Bay.

Gillette Fusion ProGlide 3-in-1 Styler is a precision mash-up of Braun shaver and ProGlide blades to help dad keep his beard, goatee or 'stache in good shape. \$25.99, drugstores.

Neostata Men Soothing Moisturizer employs a soothing botanical complex to reduce redness and skin sensitivity, as well as a potent peptide to boost skin's repair process. \$29, well.ca.

Schwarzkopf Professional [3D]MENSION Hair & Body Shampoo offers dad zippy yet gentle cleansing for hair and skin, and makes a colourful splash in the shower stall. \$15, drugstores.

YSL L'Homme Libre is a light, modern scent

for dad, crisp with a hint of sweet and subtle warmth. \$89, department stores.

Portland General Store Whiskey Natural Aftershave Splash is a natural blend of aloe, sea kelp, blue-green algae, black willowbark and tea tree oil — and the scent is more woodsman than old boozer. \$18, Indigo Books.

From left, Kiehl's Facial Fuel Sky Flyin' Foaming Multi-Gel, Schwarzkopf Professional [3D] MENSION Hair & Body Shampoo, Portland General Store Whiskey Natural Aftershave Splash, Gillette Fusion ProGlide 3-in-1 Styler, L'Oréal Paris Men Expert Hydra Energetic X Total Skin Cleanser, Givenchy Play Sport, and Byredo Sunday Cologne.



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"Every day I work to help ensure that my kids will grow up with a healthy planet," said Gerald Butts, president and CEO of World Wildlife Fund (WWF). "A gift that contributes to that would really make my day."

To help you find the perfect gift, here are three

planet-friendly ideas to get your creative juices flowing:

1 An adoption: Present dad with something he can enjoy, like a new member of the family. Buy him the WWF symbolic wildlife adoption kit. You can choose from an array of cuddly animals and donate to WWF's conservation work. Just \$40 gets you the adorable plush animal, plus a recycled gift bag, a personalized adoption certificate, an information-

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2 Eco-breakfast in bed: Cook up a delicious locally-sourced or organic breakfast and serve it to dad in comfort and style. Or treat him to a dinner out on the town at a local restaurant that offers a range of delicious and eco-friendly dishes. Organic breakfast recipes can be found online at organic-food-recipes.com/organic-food-recipes/breakfast/.

3 Do-it-yourself recycled gifts: Make a father's day card or gift from recycled materials found around the house, or even in nature. Or you can look for a gently used gift from your favourite local vintage or antique shop. For great DIY eco gift ideas, check out everythinggetsy.com/2011/09/25-handmade-gifts-for-men-diy/.

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Hey sport, how about playing catch

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For Metro

With Father's Day fast approaching, the pressure is on to find a memorable gift. This year, instead of another tie or a bottle of single malt, find something that appeals to his inner sportsman.

The first step is to consider which sports interest

your dad: Does he play recreational hockey? Is he a golfer, a cross-country skier, a runner? There is a set of equipment and apparel for each sport.

Once you have chosen a sport, you will need to learn if there is something he needs. A little research will help: Get in touch with one of his teammates or buddies (e.g., tennis or golf partner).

While many men tend to buy what they want when they need it, most often settle for low- to medium-quality. This might give you an opportunity to go for the gold: Giving him something of a quality higher than he would buy for himself sends a clear message that you believe he is worth it.

If your dad is more fan than player, start by making

a list of his favourite teams. Merchandising is the cash cow of professional sports and the array of team branded gear expands daily: From chairs and key chains to rubber ducks, and iPhone and iPod covers. Another option is to buy a television or Internet package so he can watch to his heart's content.

If your dad loves books, buy a large-format tome such

as Sports Illustrated's The Baseball Book or The Hockey Book. If he is a serious reader, consider Stephen Brunt's Gretzky's Tears: Hockey, Canada and The Day Everything Changed, or Searching for Bobby Orr. A more sentimental choice is Fathers and Sons and Sports, a collection of short stories and reports from a long list of great writers.

If your father goes to the

gym regularly, consider a good quality bag for sports gear or toiletries. A few other ideas: A bike computer or pedometer, or camping gear, such as a headlamp or comfortable camp chair.

The best gift of all, of course, is the gift of time. So take your dad to a game, watch a sports-themed movie together or just play some catch in the backyard.



Wordle.net lets children stretch their imagination by thinking of expressive words that best describe their dad. CONTRIBUTED

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Nothing says you care quite like a personalized gift, so encourage kids to create their own mini masterpieces this Father's Day.

A perennial favourite is this tasty barbecue rub, says Oakville elementary school teacher Nina March. For this Emeril Lagasse recipe, combine 2½ tablespoons paprika with 2 tablespoons each of salt and garlic powder. Add 1 tablespoon each of black pepper, onion powder, cayenne powder, oregano and thyme and mix thoroughly. Pour into spice jars and you are good to go.

"Dads seem to like this gift so much that they often come back asking for the recipe year after year," says March, who has taught for 17 years. "When we do Father's Day gifts it reflects what kids think is important to their dads."

Coupon books are an inspired way to tell dad you love him. March encourages her students to design coupons that promise to make dad's life easier in some small way. Good options might be giving dad two hours of quiet time so he can watch the baseball game or assuring him you won't fight with your sibling

at the dinner table.

Tech-savvy kids might enjoy this craft that fashions words into fun and funky artwork. Wordle.net lets children stretch their creative juices by thinking of expressive words that best describe dad. They might use dad, hockey, play and funny in their depiction. The website then spits out the words in different fonts, sizes and layouts. Print a copy and glue it onto construction paper. Children can make a puzzle-piece frame on card stock to complete the project.

No father can resist a world's-best-dad trophy. You will need two foam coffee cups, a five-inch square box, masking tape, one gold chenille stem, gold craft paint, black construction paper, glue and a white paint pen.

Glue the bottoms of the cups together. Once dry, wrap a piece of tape around the middle of the cups. Tape the entire box with masking tape. Cut chenille stem in half and insert into the sides of one cup as trophy handles.

Paint the cups and box in gold. Write "Word's Best Dad" in white on black construction paper and glue to the front of the box. Apply glue onto the bottom of the cup that doesn't have the trophy handles. Press on top of box and dry completely.

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SPORTS

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"My dream came true today. I'm very excited and I'm sure that I'll be feeling many emotions once I'm there."

Aleksandra Wozniak was nominated for selection to Canada's Olympic team for London on Wednesday. Other nominated tennis players included Olympic gold medalist Daniel Nestor, singles star Milos Raonic and Vasek Pospisil.

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On the web



Lance Armstrong may have thought doping allegations against him were laid to rest, but fresh charges from the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency have put the retired professional cyclist and seven-time Tour de France winner back in the spotlight. Scan the code for the story.

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John Mullally competes with the Halifax Titans at the 2011 Telus Cup Canadian midget AAA championship in St. John's. MATTHEW MANOR/HOCKEY CANADA IMAGES

Mullally keeping his options open

Mooseheads prospect. 17-year-old centre eyeing spot with New England-based junior team next season



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For the first time in his young hockey career, Timberlea's John Mullally is getting attention — and plenty of it.

The 17-year-old centre was chosen by the Halifax Mooseheads in the 11th round of the QMJHL draft in Quebec City on Saturday and is suddenly being talked about as a player who could step right in with his hometown club.

"It's wonderful," Mullally admitted. "I've never really gotten any attention before because I've always been that kid who was always under-

rated."

While being taken in the 11th round might make him sound like an afterthought, scouts say Mullally could challenge for a QMJHL job right away. He likely would have gone much higher than 196th overall had he committed to major junior, but he is strong academically and aspires to attend a U.S. college. He plans to play next season in the New England-based Empire Junior Hockey League with the Jersey Hitmen.

Mullally called being selected by the Mooseheads a "great honour," but also said he is wary of the QMJHL.

"You could be the flavour of the month now, but down the road, I could get an injury or be traded and my NCAA eligibility is out the window ... and I'm playing who knows where — Rouyn-Noranda, in the middle of nowhere, right?" he said. "I have to keep my options

open."

A revelation late last season, Mullally piled up 17 points in 12 playoff games to lead the Titans to a Nova Scotia Major Midget Hockey League championship. He was later named top forward at the Atlantic major midget championship in Torbay, N.L. Titans head coach Kirk Tomlinson compared him to Titans alumnus and current Mooseheads winger Ryan Falckenham.

"He's a very fast and aggressive forward who has a good touch around the net," Tomlinson said. "He's going to give you energy and finish every check and create offensive opportunities by turning pucks over deep in the offensive zone."

Mullally is coming to Mooseheads camp in August and plans to stay for 48 hours — the maximum allowable under NCAA rules — and will make a decision after that.

The thought of playing for his hometown team — especially in a year the team is expected to contend — is enticing.

"Growing up, watching them, you wished you could be like those players on the

Import players

The Mooseheads expect to have winger Martin Frk and defenceman Konrad Abeltshauser fill their two import spots next season, but they're still planning to make a pick in the Canadian Hockey League import draft on June 27.

The Mooseheads, who traded the 37th overall pick to the Sherbrooke Phoenix last Saturday for the expansion club's first-round pick in 2013, have just one pick, 97th overall.

Mooseheads general manager Cam Russell said they might make a high-risk, high-reward choice to acquire a player who doesn't plan on coming over for 2012-13 but who might consider it in the future.

As long as the player doesn't report, the Mooseheads retain his rights.

ice," Mullally said. "But education is important to me and my family, so ... I'm definitely going to go to camp for 48 hours and see what's going to go on there."

Racing

Slaunwhite looks to drive into tour's top spot

Craig Slaunwhite will have a chance to move on top of the Parts for Trucks Maritime Pro Stock Tour at the Ron MacGillivray 100 on Saturday.

Slaunwhite, a Terence Bay native, enters the third race of the season at Riverside International Speedway near Antigonish in second spot, just one point behind series leader Jonathan Hicken of Brudenell, P.E.I.

Slaunwhite won the first race of the season, the Carquest 100, on May 20, while Hicken took the second race, the Lucas Oil 100, on June 2.

Donald Chisholm of Antigonish, Darren MacKinnon of Sleepy Hollow, P.E.I., and Shawn Tucker of Fredericton round out the top five.

Enfield's Shawn Turple is sixth, just six points outside the top five. **METRO**

MLB

Nationals complete sweep of Blue Jays

Stephen Strasburg won his fifth straight start, Tyler Moore hit the first two home runs of his career and the Washington Nationals beat the Toronto Blue Jays 6-2 Wednesday to complete a three-game sweep Wednesday.

The NL East-leading Nationals, who swept Boston at Fenway Park last weekend, outscored the Red Sox and Blue Jays 31-16.

Blue Jays starter Kyle Drabek (4-7) was forced to leave the game in the fifth after suffering an apparent injury. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Olympics

Feds support Munich tribute

The federal government has unanimously supported an international movement to honour the 11 Israelis slain at the 1972 Olympics.

The International Olympic Committee has refused requests to hold a special tribute at the London Olympic opening ceremonies, 40 years after the Israeli athletes were killed by Palestinian gunmen at the Munich Games.

A motion in the House of Commons by Liberal MP Irwin Cotler to support the initiative for a special tribute was adopted unanimously Wednesday.

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German win has Netherlands facing early tourney exit



Nigel de Jong of the Netherlands tackles Mesut Ozil of Germany during a Euro 2012 Group B match on Wednesday in Kharkov, Ukraine. JOERN POLLEX/GETTY IMAGES

Euro 2012. Gomez nets two first-half goals as Germans sit atop tough Group B

Mario Gomez left the Netherlands on the brink of elimination from the European Championship, scoring both goals in Germany's 2-1 win Wednesday over one of its historic rivals.

Gomez scored both in the first half of one of the most anticipated showdowns of the tournament.

Robin van Persie pulled one back for the Netherlands in the second half but the defeat leaves the 2010 World Cup runner-up dangerously close to going home.

"Early on we had decent chances but the German goals came out of nowhere," Netherlands coach Bert van Marwijk said. "We defended badly. Our offence and defence did not connect."

Group B	
2	1
Germany	Netherlands

"Germany really has an excellent team. It has power, creativity and scoring."

Germany, a three-time European champion, has six points from two wins but is still not sure of advancing from Group B, where three teams could end up with six points. Earlier, Portugal beat Denmark 3-2.

"We've taken a major step and opened the door to the quarter-finals," Germany coach Joachim Loew said. "Now we have our destiny in our own hands against Denmark."

The Netherlands, along with Germany, is considered one of the favourites but was

drawn into a tough group. It now has lost both group games and needs to beat Portugal to have a hope. Germany will need only a draw against Denmark to win the group.

"The time just wouldn't pass, it remained standing (at the end of match)," said Gomez, who also scored the only goal in Germany's opening 1-0 win over Portugal. "They were pressing. It was close until the end but with Manuel Neuer in goal we can be a bit more relaxed."

"The expectations were great from our team even before the tournament and we've won six points against two classy teams, but it's a long way to the final."

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Quoted

"We had imagined all of this very differently."

Netherlands captain Mark van Bommel

Late goal propels Portugal to win

Underperforming Portugal finally got a win. Underperforming Cristiano Ronaldo wasn't much help.

After a miserable run of four games without a victory and only one goal scored, the Portuguese came through with an 87th-minute goal from substitute Silvestre Varela to beat Denmark 3-2 in Group B of the European Championship.

"Those of us who don't play from the start must be ready to join in at any time and deliver what the manager wants," said Varela, who replaced Raul Meireles in the 84th. "We should keep on working like this to achieve our aims."

All four teams in Group B can still advance to the quarter-finals. After Germany beat the Netherlands 2-1 in the late match, the three-time champions lead the group with six points while both Portugal and Denmark have three.

Varela scored the winner three minutes from the end, spinning on the ball and shooting from short range. It was Varela's first international goal in four appearances.

But the winning strike came late, and after several missed opportunities from Ronaldo.

"We should have killed the game off earlier," Portugal coach Paulo Bento said.



Silvestre Varela, right, of Portugal celebrates scoring in the 87th minute with Joao Moutinho during a Euro 2012 Group B match against Denmark on Wednesday in Lviv, Ukraine. ALEX LIVESKY/GETTY IMAGES

"We had enough chances."

Portugal also got first-half goals from Pepe and Helder Postiga at the Lviv Arena, but the Danes replied with a pair of goals from Nicklas Bendtner. The Denmark striker found the target just before halftime and then made it 2-2 in the 80th.

"To lose in the last five minutes is very tough for us to take," Bendtner said. "We

felt that one point at that stage was a very good result for us."

Ronaldo is Portugal's captain and easily its best player. And at Euro 2012, the team is looking to him to reproduce the kind of goal-rich form he showed at Real Madrid last season when he scored 60 goals.

But Ronaldo, facing a compact Danish defence that de-

Ambush marketing

Nicklas Bendtner could face UEFA action for ambush marketing after he scored his second goal in Denmark's 3-2 loss against Portugal. Bendtner's celebration Wednesday included lifting his shirt and dropping his shorts slightly to reveal a gambling firm's name on his underpants.

The bookmaker later tweeted a photograph claiming that Bendtner was wearing his lucky underwear.

nied the Netherlands a goal in their opening win, didn't even take a shot until the 18th minute. That one flew wide, and the forward threw his arms in the air and apparently cursed at a divot in the pitch.

"Ronaldo is one of the best players in the world and is a very good captain and a very good leader," Pepe said. "I'm sure he will score soon."

Ronaldo was the team's top scorer in qualifying for the tournament, racking up seven goals. But after the final whistle Wednesday, while Pepe raised his arms and celebrated, Ronaldo crouched alone on the field, staring quietly at the turf.

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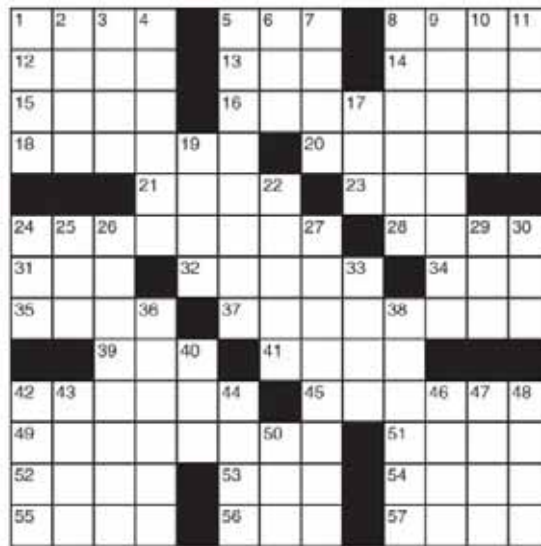
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- 5 "The A-Team" actor
- 8 Borders
- 12 Beehive State
- 13 — de cologne
- 14 Sandwich cookie
- 15 Easy gait
- 16 Clever plan
- 18 Snow White's allies
- 20 Melee
- 21 Land map
- 23 Set of parts
- 24 Poker hand
- 28 Prevalent
- 31 Have bills
- 32 Prepare to drive
- 34 Neither's mate
- 35 Luxurious
- 37 Alien
- 39 Also
- 41 Opposed
- 42 Handy
- 45 Vessel for boiling
- 49 Noncommittal position
- 51 Teeny amount
- 52 Noble
- 53 Festive
- 54 Pressing need?
- 55 Argument
- 56 Type units
- 57 Albacore, e.g.

Down

- 1 "— Lang Syne"
- 2 Pack cargo
- 3 One of the Three Bears
- 4 Himalayan guide
- 5 Some notes
- 6 Snitch
- 7 Surf and —
- 8 Pompous talk
- 9 Putting up
- 10 Grand-scale prefix
- 11 Beans used in miso
- 17 Noah's boat
- 19 Move like a moth
- 22 Eighth Greek letter
- 24 Bribe
- 25 Pair
- 26 Roadside stop
- 27 Jailers
- 29 Enemy
- 30 Blunder
- 33 Liver spread
- 36 Capital of Tasmania
- 38 Fool
- 40 Ancient
- 42 Mail-truck abbr.
- 43 Dance lesson
- 44 Rim
- 46 From one end to t'other
- 47 "The — King"
- 48 Sicilian volcano



50 Fugitive's flight

Yesterday's Crossword



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How to play

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How to play

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Yesterday's Sudoku



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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

You'll hear what you want to hear today and ignore anything that does not fit in with your preconceived ideas. But why limit your thinking?

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

Don't worry if you're not doing much on a practical level because this is a time for thinking and planning.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

This could be a stressful day, especially where relationships are concerned. Misunderstandings are likely but how you let them affect you is a matter of choice.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

When the pressure gets to be too much, you can get emotional. The planets warn that a small emotional explosion is likely today. But it's better than a big one later!

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

It's not like you to be emotionally distant but something has annoyed you and now you are keeping your distance from certain people. It'll pass.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Try not to make promises you may not be able to keep today because if you let people down, they won't be too happy about it.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

Others are unlikely to react well if you are critical of their efforts today. They may be doing it wrong, but pointing out their faults and failings isn't likely to endear you to them.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

One moment you are too generous and the next you are too tough. It may be a reaction to other people's inconsistencies.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

Colleagues and employers will look kindly on you today, so if there is anything you want from them now would be a good time to ask.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

You seem concerned with personal relationships at the moment but until the Sun moves into your opposite sign on the 20th, you won't be able to change much for the better.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

If you are not enjoying what you are working on then it's pretty obvious you are working on the wrong thing.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

You may be eager to show the world what you can do but if you are smart you'll hold off for a while. The Sun moves in your favour next week.

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